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HOPES OF NAVAL TREATY SINKING

JAPAN INSISTS ON PARITY VISCOUNT MONSELL ANSWERS NAGANO SHARP EXCHANGE WITH TOKYO'S DELEGATE

London, Jan. 8.
Japan's firm insistence on her cardinal demand for recognition of a common upper limit for the navies of the great powers, has brought the Naval Conference here to the verge of complete breakdown.

The Japanese attitude is responsible, too, for sharp exchanges between Viscount Monsell, First Lord of the Admiralty, and Admiral Osumi Nagano, respectively heads of the British and Japanese naval delegations to the conference.

At the opening of proceedings, Admiral Nagano stated that he was not prepared to discuss other plans until quantitative limitation and the common upper limit question were settled. Admiral Nagano said that in his opinion the French suggestion for a plan whereby an exchange of information relating to proposed building should be adopted, did not constitute quantitative limitation of naval armaments.

Viscount Monsell replied that as the plans for exchange of building information were on the agenda, the Japanese should have indicated their unwillingness to participate in discussion of these matters earlier.

All other delegations at present expressed their disapproval of the Japanese change of programme of discussion, and the conversations reverted to the agenda. All the delegations supported the principle of the exchange of information, with the exception of the Japanese.

On their behalf Admiral Nagano declared that he did not regard this plan as being in the spirit of disarmament.

BI-LATERAL TALKS

Until the resumption of the conference on Friday there will be intensive bi-lateral talks to explore the possibilities of reaching an agreement of any kind.

Experienced observers think that the exchange of information plans provide good ground for an agreement between the European powers, and possibly also America.

The British are still reluctant to abandon hope of a five power agreement, and the French delegation will attempt to mediate with the Japanese to-morrow.

Japanese circles declare their intention of co-operating wholeheartedly as long as there is a chance of disarmament being agreed to, but in the event of the conference deciding on Friday that discussion of Japan's claims for a common upper limit would be impracticable, it is understood Admiral Nagano will refer to Tokyo to ascertain whether he should still participate in the conference.

To-morrow night, His Majesty's Government is entertaining the delegates to dinner and Viscount Monsell will propose the toast to "The Conference."—*Reuter.*

PLANS DISCUSSED

London, Jan. 8.
The Naval Conference met again for about two hours this afternoon. Three plans, submitted by the French, United Kingdom and Italian delegations respectively, providing for quantitative limitation of naval armaments by means of notification and exchange of building programmes, were examined by the British Committee.

The French and Italian delegates proceeded to elaborate their plans, and the Japanese delegation offered their observations on certain features of the plans. The discussion was adjourned till Friday.—*British Wireless.*

"ADELAIDE TO ANYWHERE"

Melbourne, Jan. 8.
James Melrose, the young Australian aviator who so distinguished himself in the England-Melbourne air marathon, has established his own air taxi service with headquarters in Adelaide, using as his slogan "Adelaide to Anywhere." He recently abandoned an attempt on the record for the England-Australia flight to hunt for Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and his companion.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

FIGHTING AROUND MAKALE

CONCENTRATIONS BOMBARDED

PATROLS CLASH IN TEMBIEN

Rome, Jan. 8.
Italian artillery has shelled Ethiopian concentrations in the vicinity of Amba Aradam, south of Makale, states a communique from Marshal Badoglio, in command of the invading army in Ethiopia.

Following a recent patrol action in the Tembien sector, the Ethiopians left 22 dead on the field, the communique adds.

Aircraft have carried out bombing attacks in the Lake Ashangi sector. When the Ethiopian troops saw the planes they displayed on the ground three large red crosses, around which they gathered.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

TEMBIEN REGAINED

Addis Ababa, Jan. 8.
It is officially claimed that the reconquest of the Tembien district, west of Makale, has been completed. It is stated that the Italians, who fled without offering resistance, are burning all villages on their line of retreat.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

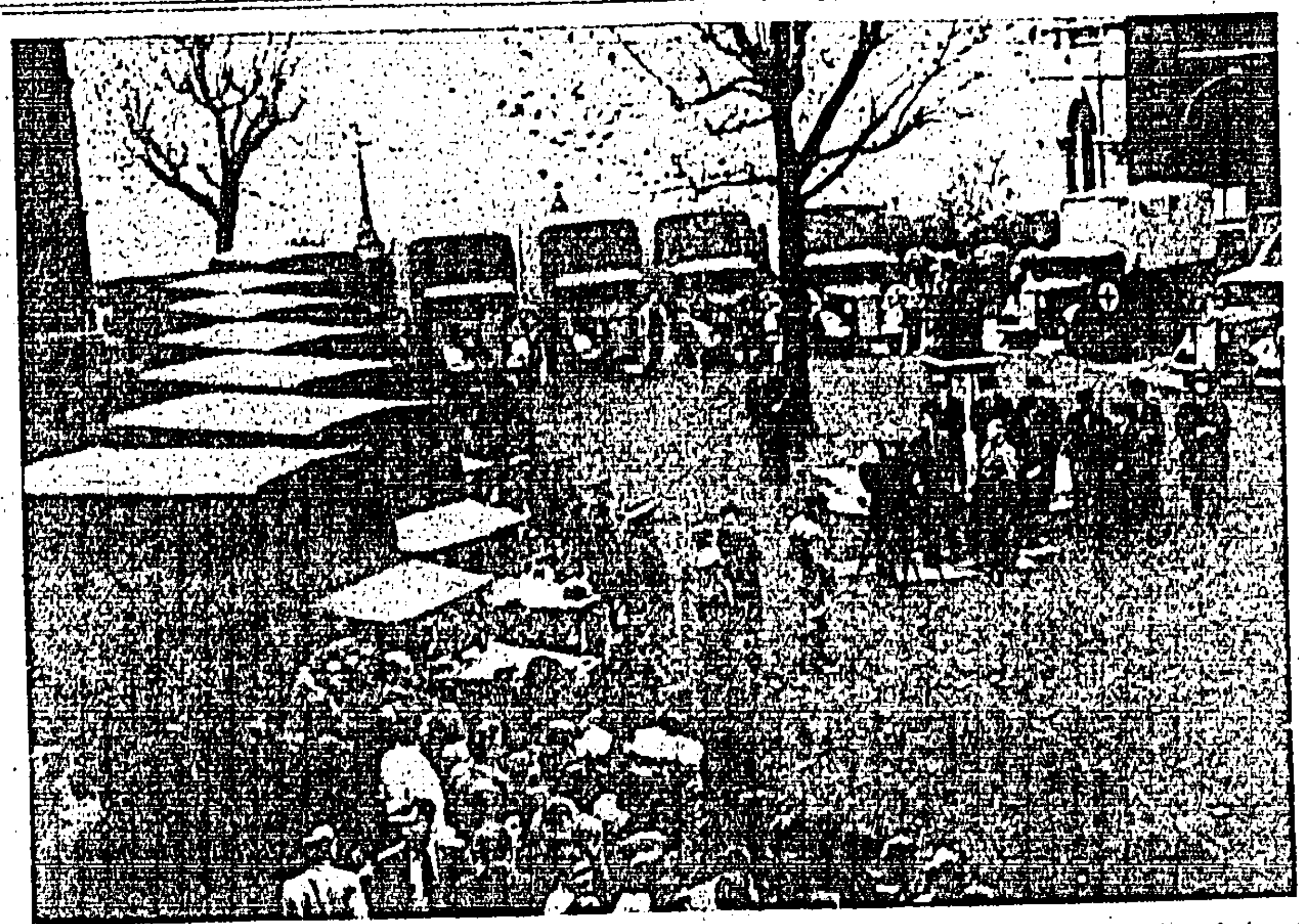
NEW REGIMENTS

Rome, Jan. 8.
For the first time since last May, the King of Italy and Signor Mussolini made a public appearance together at the ceremony at which war standards, belonging to disbanded regiments were presented to newly formed bodies of men. His Majesty placed a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier. Mussolini wore his favourite uniform, that of an honorary corporal.—*(Continued on Page 7.)*

VARIABLE PITCH PROPELLERS

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS ADOPTION

London, Jan. 8.
The production of controllable pitch air screws in Great Britain dates from the acquisition in 1934 of certain American patents by the De Havilland Company, is making steady progress. Manufacturers have contracts aggregating several hundreds of thousands of pounds. Controllable pitch air screws will be fitted to 20 new large flying-boats under order for addition to the Imperial Airways commercial fleet. The variable pitch propeller increases operational speeds and eases loads imposed on the engine.—*British Wireless.*



Picture shows a British Red Cross unit, composed of Bedford ambulance cars, being blessed by the Archbishop of Canterbury on the eve of its departure for service in Ethiopia.

BLAZING NEW AIR TRAILS

ITALIANS SEEKING TO LINK ARMIES

FLYING OVER FOREIGN SOIL

(Special to "Telegraph")

Rome, Jan. 8.
A bold bid in progress is being made in a non-stop air trail from Eritrea to Italian Somaliland across French and British Somaliland and Abyssinia.

With the Italian Under-Secretary of Air and Signor Mussolini's personal pilot aboard, a cabin Savoia Marchetti three-engine monoplane, with an extra petrol tank, started out on the journey at dawn to-day.

Air experts point out that it has been hitherto impossible to send war planes to General Graziani on the southern front except by sea, and the assembling there involves much time and mechanical supervision.

If the present flight is successful, an entire bombing squadron could be despatched in flying formation from the north to the southern front.

The fact that the fliers are travelling over British and French territory is giving rise to some misgivings in Italian air circles.—*Reuter Special.*

ITALIAN SOLDIERS DISARMED

REFUSE TO MARCH FOR ETHIOPIA

Innsbruck, Jan. 8.
Violent scenes occurred on the departure of five hundred soldiers from Merano, in the South Tyrol, for Africa, according to reports in circulation here.

It is alleged that soldiers belonging to the Fifth Alpine Regiment, refused to march and shouted opprobrious epithets against the Government. They are also stated to have torn down pictures of Signor Mussolini. The reports add that the refractory soldiers were finally disarmed.—*Reuter Special.*

LIFEBOAT HEROES

London, Jan. 8.
The French Minister of Merchant Marine has awarded silver medals of valour and diplomas to men of the Harry Dock lifeboat for gallantry in the rescue of the crew of the French schooner Goulard in the Bristol Channel last September.—*British Wireless.*

JAPAN'S STRONG PROTEST

PEIPING SHOOTING AROUSES FEELING

SERIOUS VIEW TAKEN

(Special to "Telegraph")

Tientsin, Jan. 9.
The firing by Chinese soldiers at Japanese police in Peiping and the alleged show of disrespect for the Japanese flag at Tientsin have created a new crisis in North China, it appears.

The Japanese Consul-General here, Mr. Shigeru Kawagoe, has sent a strong protest to General Sung Chieh-yuan over the Peiping incident. The Consul-General demands an apology in the first place, dismissal of the Chinese officials responsible and the arrest of the guilty parties.

Finally, the Consul-General demands the termination of anti-Japanese talk and unfriendly actions on the part of the officers and men of the 29th Army.—*United Press.*

ADVISED BY TOKYO

Peiping, Jan. 9.
Major Imai, the Japanese military attaché here, told the foreign press to-day that a protest had been forwarded to General Sung Chieh-yuan in respect of the incident at the East Gate of the city where Chinese soldiers fired on Japanese. He said the demands had been made after consultation with Tokyo.—*United Press.*

NOT MERGING

Tokyo, Jan. 9.
General Jin Ju-heng's Autonomous Government cannot be merged with the Hopen-Charhar Council, it is stated in Tokyo.—*United Press.*

Anti-Aircraft Defence

VICKERS PRODUCE NEW WEAPON

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Jan. 8.
It was revealed at a sitting of the Armaments Commission to-day that Vickers have invented a new anti-aircraft gun, which they claim to be the finest in the world.

Sir Charles Crompton, the managing director of the firm, told the company have contracts worth £100,000 for the gun from foreign countries. The Chairman, General Sir Herbert Lawrence, said Britain had a good gun in 1918, but not so efficient as the new one, none of which had been ordered by Britain from the firm.—*Reuter Special.*

DAUGHTER SUING MOTHER

TWO DOCTORS ALSO INVOLVED

GRAVE CHARGE MAY FOLLOW

(Special to "Telegraph")

San Francisco, Jan. 8.
Astonishing revelations, which are likely to have a sequel in the criminal courts, were made in the case in which Miss Ann Hewitt claims £100,000 damages from her mother and two doctors, alleging that she was starved to death by her mother, Mr. Peter Hewitt.

Under the terms of the will, Mr. Hewitt's widow would receive the benefit of the trust unless their daughter married and had a child, in which event a large portion of the income would go to the child upon Ann's death.

Doctors defended the operation, saying that Ann was mentally feeble. Miss Hewitt states that she was not allowed to live a normal life, had always been deprived of friends of her own age and had been protected from anybody likely to tell her "facts" about life.

The District Attorney is now investigating the affair, and states that the case will probably be presented to a Grand Jury.—*Reuter Special.*

ITALIANS DEPORTED

POLICE SWEEP ON MALTA HOMES

Malta, Jan. 8.
Police to-day swooped upon the homes of fourteen persons, most of them Italians, but two of them English women. All fourteen persons were detained for interrogation, but eight were subsequently released. The remaining six are being deported to-morrow.

They are a professor in an Italian subsidised school, a lieutenant in the Italian Fascist militia in charge of the local company of Boy Scouts of Italian nationality, a minor official in the Italian consulate, two Italian merchants and the Malta agent for an Italian seaplane manufacturing company.—*Reuter.*

WHOLESALE PRICES

London, Jan. 8.
The average of wholesale prices in 1935, according to the Board of Trade index, was 0.9 per cent. greater than in 1934, the index number based on 1930 being 88.9 and 88.1 respectively. The rise in 1935 followed one of 2.8 per cent. in 1934.—*British Wireless.*

STRIKE THREAT IN BRITAIN

COAL MINE CRISIS LOOMS AGAIN

WORKERS EXPECTED TO REJECT OWNERS' PLAN

London, Jan. 8.
The coal situation is critical, following indications that the miners' leaders are expected to reject the owners' proposals to-morrow, on the ground that they are neither uniform nor national.

Proposals may be made to-morrow for levelling up the owners' offers by the formation, possibly, of a central wage pool, or an ultimate general average increase of ninepence per day. The men are asking for an increase of two shillings a day.

If the negotiations break down completely, strike notices will be handed in, to expire on January 27.

Following a conference with representatives of the coal-owners' sub-committee, the mine workers visited the Mines Department to-day and had an interview lasting two and a quarter hours with the Secretary of Mines, Captain Crookshank. At this interview, the men's representatives asked the Government to provide temporary financial assistance to the industry, with a view to averting a stoppage. The Secretary of Mines, however, reiterated the Government's earlier refusal to grant such assistance.

OFFER FALLS SHORT

The coalowners' offer to the miners, in response to the latter's demand for an increase of two shillings per shift in all districts falls considerably short of this amount.

At the conclusion of a three-hour meeting between representatives of the colliery owners and Mine workers' Federation it transpired that the largest offer made is a shilling increase in Lancashire, North Wales, South Derbyshire, Leicestershire, North and South Staffordshire, Cannock Chase, Warwickshire and Shropshire.

Other increases offered are 9d. in Scotland, Yorkshire and Forest of Dean, 6d. in Northumberland, Durham, and Cumberland, and 8d. in Somerset.

These figures represent an increase of from 2 1/2 per cent. to 2 3/4 per cent. in the minimum percentage on the basis of the rate in South Wales, with subsistence wages of 94d. daily increase to 97d. The increase in Kent is 5d.

Miners under the age-of-eighteen years are generally to receive half the above increases. The miners' representatives will report to the full Executive to-night, and a further joint meeting with the owners will be held at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

OFFERS SUMMARISED

London, Jan. 8.
Representatives of the colliery owners met representatives of the Mine workers' Federation to-day and placed before them offers of increases of wages which had been formulated by the owners in various districts. The men's representatives reported to their Executive Committee this evening, and a further joint meeting is to take place to-morrow.

The offers vary from district to district. In about nine areas the suggested advances are one shilling for adults, while ninepence is offered in three others. In three districts, advances of sixpence are proposed, and in two others fivepence per shift per adult worker. The original claim put forward by the men's Union was for an increase of two shillings per shift for adults, and one shilling for juveniles.—*British Wireless.*

BEAUTY SPOT FOR NATION

KING'S JUBILEE GIFT

London, Jan. 8.
The property owned and protected by the National Trust in Dovedale, a famous beauty spot from the hills surrounding which unrivalled views of Derbyshire and North Staffordshire are obtained, has recently been extended by the addition of about a hundred acres comprising "The Iron Tor and The Nibbles," both limestone promontories close to the River Dove. The gift to the National Trust has been made in commemoration of the King's Silver Jubilee.—*British Wireless.*

CURRENCY COMPARISONS

London, Jan. 8.
A review of fluctuations in principal currencies during the past year, in the Board of Trade Journal, shows that on balance the pound, finished substantially unchanged in value in relation to the six chief gold currencies, but appreciated materially in terms of the lire and about 38 per cent. against the Belgian franc, the gold content of which was reduced as from April 1 last.—*British Wireless.*



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This new uniform consists of smart dark blue serge trousers and high-collared tunic with brass buttons.

A dark blue cap of the Air Force type will be worn, with the badge of the regiment on it.

It is stated in certain quarters that this is the first step towards a return to the old "walking out" uniform of pre-war days.

Since then soldiers have worn either civilian clothes, or khaki with puttees and heavy Army boots.

It is believed that this move will help the large-scale recruiting drive for the Territorial Army which opens in the New Year.

TRANS-OCEAN ZEPPELIN SERVICE PLANNED FOR NEAR FUTURE

Buenos Aires, Jan. 3.

CAPTAIN HANS VON SCHILLER, commander of the Graf Zeppelin, believes that the not-too-distant future will see fast Zeppelin service for passengers across the oceans of the world firmly established.

Captain von Schiller, during a recent visit here, revealed a new airship as being constructed to be put into service with the Graf Zeppelin over the South Atlantic ocean. First trial flights of the new airship have been set for this month.

If the trials are satisfactory, he said, other Zeppelins designed to carry both mail and passengers, will be constructed and service extended to the North Atlantic ocean.

The commander likened the predicted growth of airship transportation to that of the airplane. He said it is necessary to operate several airships in regular service to achieve commercial success but that this development would come within a few years. He does not believe the airship will outstrip the airplane as an accepted means of air travel, but that the one is the natural complement of the other.

The new Zeppelin, the commander said, will be a luxury liner, with smoking room, bar, dance salon and accommodation for 50 passengers. It is planned to operate the ship from Europe to South America, linking up with the airplane services of both continents.

2,500 Metre "Ceiling"
The "ceiling" of the Graf Zeppelin and of the Zeppelin under construction is around 2,500 metres, Captain von Schiller said. He does not believe airships will travel in the stratosphere in the future because "height" costs money, and planes and airships must be operated as economically as possible.

He said that stratospheric height would enable airships to travel at only fractionally higher speeds, not commensurate with the increased cost of operation.

The Graf Zeppelin, as presently operated, is not a commercial proposition, Captain von Schiller said. The craft originally was built for experimental purposes, and it was not at first intended to carry passengers.

Graf's Performances
The commander had on hand a few statistics concerning the Graf's performances:

From 1928, when it made its first flight, to January 1, 1935, approximately 1,000 trans-Atlantic passengers had been carried in the Graf across the South Atlantic between Europe and South America.

During that period, the ship had been flown 1,000,000 kilometres, made 500 flights and carried 9,000 passengers on trans-Atlantic and shorter flights, without accident. During 1935 the ship flew another 360,000 kilometres.

War-time Air Raider
The commander, who participated in 26 air raids over Great Britain during the World War, said the Zeppelin never again will be a serious menace during war. The greatest value of the ship during the World War, he pointed out, was psychological, and also forced Great Britain to hold in reserve at home artillery, ammunition and men who otherwise might have been sent to the various fronts.

"I much prefer to visit England now with the Graf Zeppelin as my conveyance," Captain von Schiller said. "I find the reception so much nicer now than in war time."

Diets For Film Stars

MAE WEST PREFERS STEAK & ONIONS

Once a fortnight Hollywood stars have their "beauty day"—at least those stars under the care of Dr. Benjamin Hauser, who tells so many screen actresses what they may and may not eat.

Dr. Hauser, who has arrived in New York on his way to Europe, describes his beauty day as "one of complete rest, not only for the body and mind, but also for the tummies of my illustrious patients. I prescribe no solid foods—only fresh vegetable juices."

While disclaiming any ability to work wonders, Hollywood's "nutritionist" says he often lectures to "lovely stars and advises them on the subject 'Eat and grow beautiful.'"

ALICE FAYE'S MENU

Here is the menu ordered for Alice Faye, who, the doctor reports, is now looking "just lovely":

NAPOLEAN'S SON MAY RETURN TO FRANCE

KING OF ROME

RUMOURS that the embalm body of the "Eagle," son of Napoleon I., will be transferred from the Capuchin Catacombs, the burial-place of the Hapsburgs, to the Dome of Invalides in Paris, where his father is resting, have been revived by Austrian and French newspapers.

It is believed that the Archduke Otto of Habsburgs, the head of the former Imperial dynasty, is inclined to give his consent to the "homcoming" of the Eagle in order to win French public opinion for his plan in connection with Austrian restoration.

The request of the Bonapartists that the body of the Eagle should be returned, was refused in 1932 by the Republican Government of Austria, which regarded the burial place of the former rulers of the Austrian Empire as a national museum.

It is probable that the present government, which has strong monarchial leanings, will raise no objection, and that the heads of the two dethroned dynasties, Prince Bonaparte and Archduke Otto, will soon be able to exchange courtesies over the matter.

HEIR TO EMPIRE

The Eagle was once the symbol of the enmity between the two dynasties. He was born as the "King of Rome" in Paris, as heir to the Napoleonic Empire, and died as the "Duke of Reichstadt" at the age of 21 in the Vienna castle of Schoenbrunn, where he was kept in strict seclusion by his grandfather, the Austrian Emperor Francis, and his Chancellor, Prince Metternich.

In the same castle of Schoenbrunn, 23 years before the death of the Eagle, Napoleon I. had taken up his headquarters as a conqueror. There he forced the proud Habsburg Emperor to recognise the new map of Europe, and to consent to his marriage with his daughter, Marie Louise, Archduchess of Austria.

After the fall of Napoleon, his son was taken to Austria, where he was deprived of everything that might remind him of his father. He was given the new title of Duke of Reichstadt, and was guarded day and night because of the plans of the Bonapartists to kidnap or rather free him.

He died of consumption, according to the official version. It was rumoured, however, that the young prince was poisoned by Metternich, in order to put an end to the plotting of the Bonapartists.

The 125th anniversary of his birth will be celebrated in France this year.

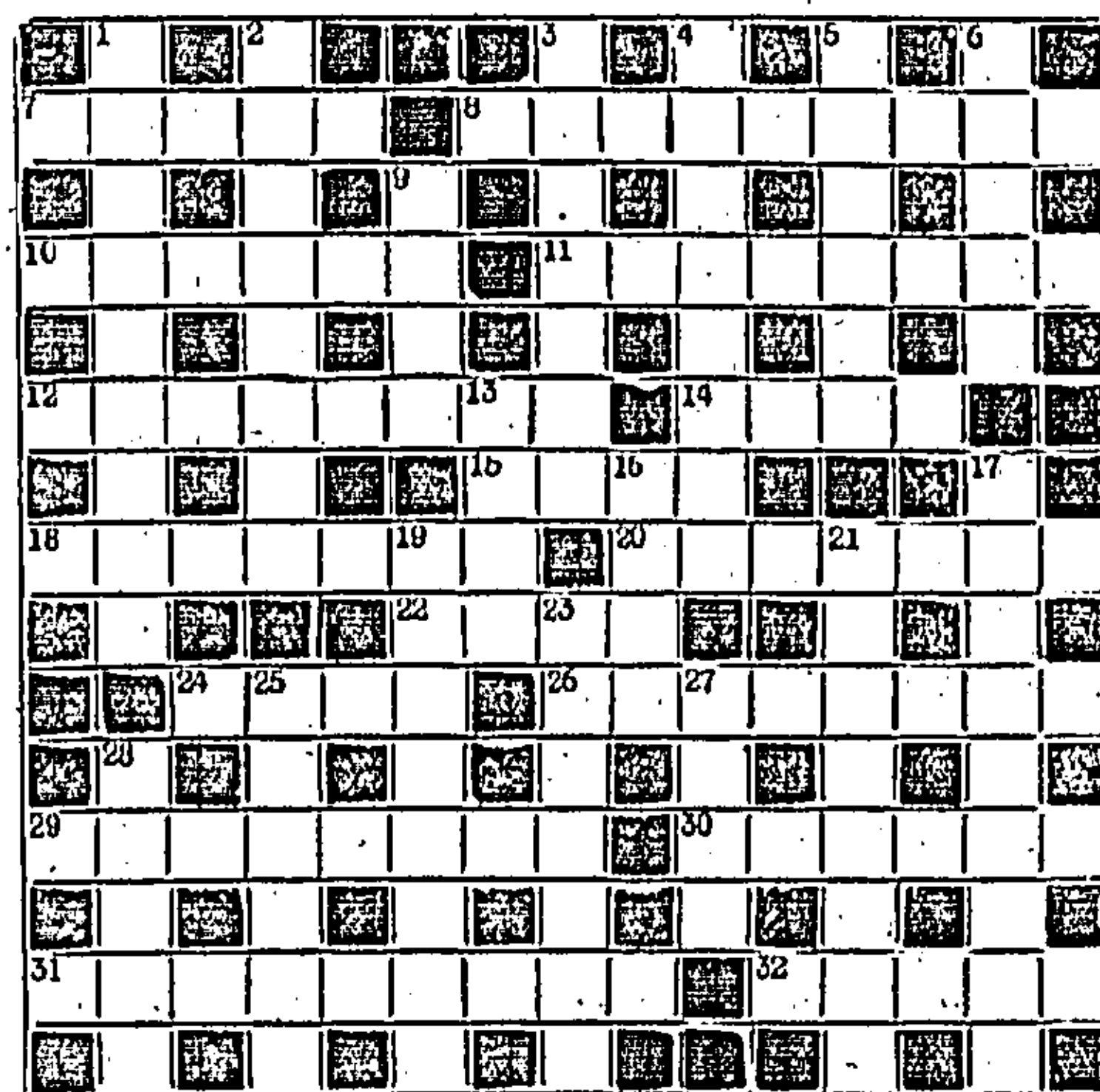
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15 Vipers.
18 Hunting trophies.
19 Saves.
22 This John used to hold liquor well.
23 Teach quickly.
26 It urges on.
29 Seek whence to throw light on that which follows.
30 Family of Jack and his wife?
31 Figures that make brutes coo. (Two words, 4-5.)
32 Political programme unit.

Down

- 1 Neither here nor there.
2 These are metallic small holders (3 hyphen 5).
3 Reptiles.
4 Lion dog.
5 "Papa in." Here's medicine for him. (Anag.)
6 A good deal in laziness.
9 Object of worship.
13 This should be well slipped.

- 16 Describes a rose, but not a proper rose.
17 Of consequence.
19 London suburb or Alberta town.
21 A diver goes under to this extent.
23 Royal dignity.
25 Skins up.
27 Vile; couldn't be lower, in fact.
28 Mammal.

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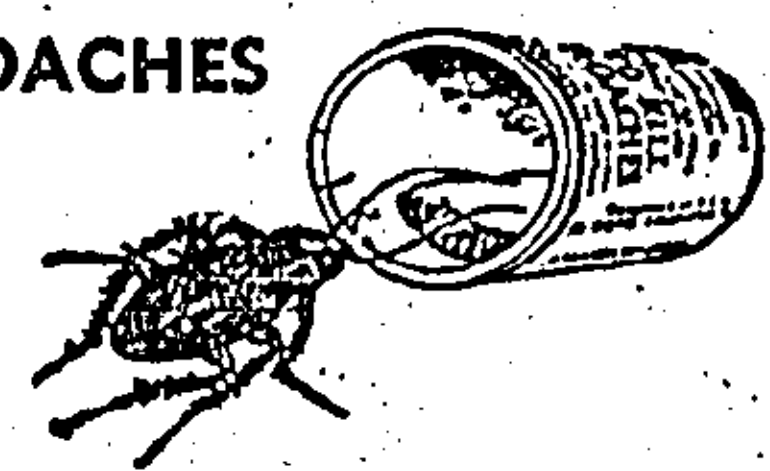
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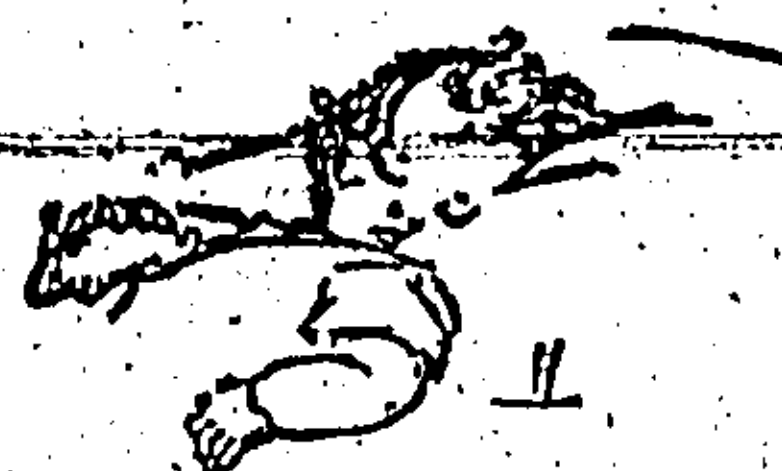
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GUNS OR ARMOUR AS CHOICE

A new and unexpected complication has arisen in big battleship design.

British experts now state that recent developments in weapons of offence make it impossible to design an efficient battleship armed with 16in. guns on a tonnage of 35,000—the largest tonnage permitted by the Washington Naval Treaty of 1922.

Ships of this size are at present being built by Italy and planned by France.

British experts state that a battleship mounting 16in. guns cannot to-day be designed without sacrificing one of the essential requirements of a battleship—an adequate number of guns in order to produce volume of fire and facilitate control; sufficient protection to enable the ship to withstand the most powerful armaments likely to be encountered; and adequate steaming qualities.

Gun Now Superior

The remarkable advances which have taken place in recent years in guns, shells, bombs, torpedoes, and mines are responsible for the fact that a combination of tonnage and armament which was thought feasible in 1922 (and actually allowed a margin in the construction of the Nelson and Rodney five years later) is now considered impracticable.

Ever since the coming of the torpedo the history of naval development has been concerned with the incessant battle between the shell and the armour. Now, the perfection of the 16-inch gun and the greatly improved design of armour piercing shell has placed the gun in a position of definite superiority over armour protection as at present fitted.

The development of aircraft, too, has played a great part. To-day, in order to be adequately protected, a ship must carry deck armour of far greater thickness than was necessary a few years ago. Moreover, the development of aircraft demands that ships shall be fitted with the very latest forms of anti-aircraft guns. These guns are heavy and require a large supply of ammunition.

Below water, too, the capital ship of to-day has to be better protected than formerly. Not only are torpedoes larger and more powerful, but mines also have increased in both size and efficiency.

The combination of these circumstances demands a weight of protection which can no longer be included in the design of a ship built to a tonnage of even 35,000 tons without the sacrifice of some other quality.

Britain's Proposal

This is a development of the very greatest importance in view of the Naval Conference which is to assemble in London next week. Time and again the British Government have pressed for the reduction of the calibre of the guns carried by warships, either to 11in. or to 12in. There is still little prospect of agreement being reached on so drastic a limitation, but it is thought in naval circles that the difficulties of designing adequate protection may lead to an agreement embodying some reduction in the maximum calibre of guns. A reduction of the calibre of the guns forming the main armament of capital ships to 14in. is considered probable in many quarters.

Prince Of Wales' Jubilee

COLOURFUL CEREMONIES AT CARNARVON CASTLE

THE Prince of Wales will soon receive the provisional plans for celebrating his silver jubilee next year—the twenty-fifth anniversary of his investiture at Carnarvon Castle.

He has already approved in principle a colourful ceremonial at the castle where, as a youth of seventeen, he appeared for the first time before thousands of cheering Welshmen as their Prince.

CHESTER'S CLAIM

Heralds in their picturesque medieval uniforms will again receive him with a fanfare of trumpets from the battlements, but there is a strong feeling that celebrations should not be confined to Wales.

Chester, from which the Prince takes his second title, will invite

BRITAIN'S NEW "QUADS"



Mrs. Miles, the wife of Mr. W. Miles, a lorry driver, gave birth to quadruplets at St. Neot's on November 23. They were a girl and three boys. Their weights ranged from 3 lb. 12½ oz. to 2 lb. 13 oz. Sterilised human milk was flown from London for them. At the time of writing, mother and babies were doing well.

LAUREL MAY MAKE FILMS IN ENGLAND

Hollywood, Dec. 31. STAN LAUREL, of the famous duo Laurel and Hardy, may shortly retire from the screen as an actor, and turn producer.

He may even go to England, his native land, to make films. "I am true till death," but Stan is in revolt against the film stories that keep picking for them. He says Laurel and Hardy cannot survive any more.

Currently they are working on "Bohemian Girl," but the story has nothing to do with the famous

opera piece... except that it happens to be in a happy camp. Next Mr. Roach wants Stan to appear with Hardy in "The Chimes of Normandy," but Stan muttered ominously.

"If he wants to make 'The Chimes of Normandy,' let him do it, but not with us. We don't belong in such stories." "I don't want to part from Hardy," said Stan, "but we cannot go on making stories like these. If Mr. Roach wants to make 'Bohemian Girl,' why not make it? It isn't Laurel and Hardy stuff, that's all."

INTENTIONS ARE GOOD BUT...

Average temperature in the plains of Ethiopia is round about 110deg. in the shade. But

Kind-hearted women all over the world are still knitting woolly sweaters for the poor Ethiopians.

So Rear-Admiral Cary Grayson, chairman of the American Red Cross, said recently.

NEW C. IN. C.



Marshal Badoglio, who succeeds General De Bono as Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Forces in East Africa.

No One Need Work

WHEN SCIENCE CAN TAME COSMIC RAYS

Chicago, Dec. 30.

Electric currents ranging from 100 million to 100,000 million volts are possible if the elusive Cosmic Ray can be captured and tamed. Professor A. H. Compton, world-famed University of Chicago physicist and Nobel Prize winner, said to-day.

So important has Cosmic Ray research become, Compton said in an exclusive interview with the United Press, that present knowledge of its mysterious qualities and power has upset almost all of the theories regarding electro-dynamics.

Even the famed Einstein Theory of Relativity will have to be amended as a result of the Cosmic Ray implications, Compton said, scientists now believed.

Compton cited the voltage of several other familiar phenomena to illustrate the power of the Cosmic Ray. Light rays, he said, generate only two volts, ordinary heat one volt, ultra-violet rays four or five volts, X-rays 10,000 to 100,000 volts and radium rays, hitherto believed to be the most powerful, 1,000,000 to 10,000,000 volts.

"Cosmic Rays originated at the time of the original explosion in space which created the universe as we know it now," Compton said. "That is the theory now held for want of a better explanation of their origin, yet through the eons of time Cosmic Rays have wandered in space, their power diminishing but little."

Cosmic Ray research has not solved the secret of their composition, Compton said.

Although Cosmic Rays have been photographed, and the plates have been of some help in determining the ray content, Compton said science still is endeavouring to

perfect a camera to portray it adequately.

Biologists are deeply interested in the Cosmic Ray to discover its effect on life, Compton said.

"Darwin's Theory of Evolution held that life was generated by 'spontaneous variation.' The belief now is held that life was not spontaneous, but may have been slowly generated by factors, one of which might have been the Cosmic Ray. Scientists feel that it is probable that the Cosmic Ray throughout the world's existence played a great part in influencing the development and characteristics of life."

"It can readily be understood what effect exposure to Cosmic Rays would have on the forms of plant and animal life over hundreds of thousands of years. A combination of rays, in which the Cosmic Ray may have been one, might have been the factor which gave matter its original animation."—United Press.

He had the distinction of living at Windsor Castle for nearly a century, being born on the Royal estates in 1844 and living there all his life.

He was 15 when he entered the service of the Duchess of Kent, mother of Queen Victoria, and one of his tasks was to push the aged Duchess round the grounds of the castle in an invalid chair.

A remarkable span of time is covered when it is remembered that the Duchess was born in 1786.

The Duchess recommended young Barker to Queen Victoria, and on

the death of the Duchess he was sent to the Royal gardens to be trained.

Later he was appointed vine-keeper at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, and under his care the famous Royal Vine yielded more than 1,000 bunches of fine grapes for 20 years.

Queen Victoria on her visits often congratulated him on the conditions of the vine.

Later, Mr. Barker returned to the Castle premises and after serving King Edward VII. and King George he retired on a pension in 1919 at the age of 76.

The King granted him the use of a cottage on the estate at Windsor for the rest of his life.

This is the theory of Wu I-tsing, mystic, philosopher, student of the Chinese classics and Confucian lore, and one of the most ardent leaders in the North China autonomy movement. His initial appearance in the present movement was at Hsiangho (Fragrant River) in Hopei Province, where he organized and led the first open revolt against the government.

"We sent thousands of our bravest men and loveliest maidens to Japan in 221 B.C.," he says. "They refused to return to China, but remained in the 'Isles of the Blest' and their descendants built up the present day Japan. Now they are coming back as conquerors. How can we fight them—our own people whom we sent away?"

Wu's contention is that China's destiny is foretold in the ancient classics and it is impossible to alter this fate.

"China as a nation will fall but the Chinese people will go on forever," he asserts. "We should not sacrifice the Chinese people to save a corrupt political regime."

Contact with the Occident spells death for China, he believes. The Orient is symbolised by fertility and growth while the symbol of

the Occident is electricity which has many uses but which is death for those who contact it. Chinese say, "Hsi bien chu," meaning "going to the west" when they say they are dying. When all the Orient is unified, Wu says, it will conquer the world through fertility and justice.

Japanese. Tutelago Wu, sitting in a poorly-furnished room of an old house in the Japanese Concession, expounded his theories of life and government for more than four hours with the United Press correspondent. He firmly believes it is his destiny to lead a new China under the tutelage of Japan for, he says, it is so written in the classics.

"The Classics foretold that in 1911 a great upheaval in China would occur, resulting in complete change in a revised form of government and that in the 25th year after establishment of this new government, a man, 52 years of age, would arise from the masses; bring out the unification of Japan and China, and lead the East to greater glories than all history records."

He points out that next year is the 25th year of the Chinese Republic and he will then be 52 years old. He was a peasant boy in his native Hsiangho and he is now in a position to allow destiny to take its course.

Tall and powerfully-built with expressive face and hands, Wu is a mystic as well as a political agitator and revolutionist. He has studied and developed new theories on such varied subjects as numerology, vibrations and astrology. He also reads mystic interpretations into the Chinese written characters.

At the age of 19, he passed the Imperial Examinations at Peking with first honours. He held numerous offices in the Peking Government and later organised many Kuomintang branches throughout Hopei Province, but he turned against the Kuomintang when he saw its brutality, selfishness and corruption, he says. At one time he was Councillor to General Chiang Kai-shek with offices in Shanghai. He has written numerous books on government, river conservation, Confucian lore and political subjects.—United Press.

VICTOR McLAGLEN IN KIPLING FILM

Hollywood, Dec. 31. Victor McLaglen, the British film star, is to appear as Private Terence Mulvaney in a film story adapted from Kipling's "Soldiers Three."

McLaglen was signed up for this film by Michael Balcon, production chief for Gaumont-British, before he left to-night for New York on his way back to England.

Knew Queen Victoria's Mother OLDEST ROYAL SERVANT DIES IN LONDON

WILLIAM BARKER, aged 91, for many years the oldest Royal servant and a link with Queen Victoria's mother, died in London last month.

Eighteen months ago he was visited and congratulated by the King and Queen on his 90th birthday.

He had the distinction of living at Windsor Castle for nearly a century, being born on the Royal estates in 1844 and living there all his life.

Later he was appointed vine-keeper at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, and under his care the famous Royal Vine yielded more than 1,000 bunches of fine grapes for 20 years.

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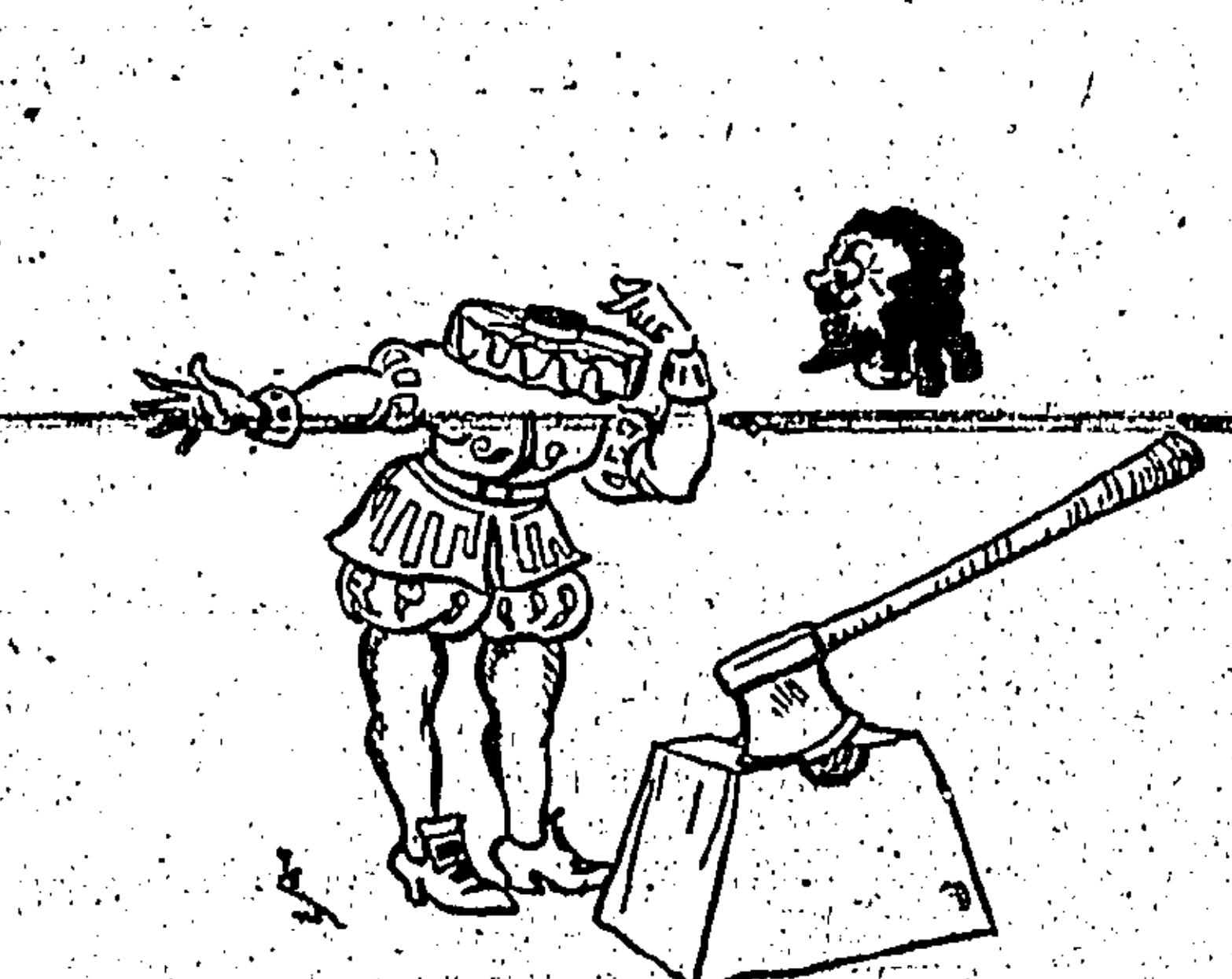
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RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

Orchestra.
7.45 p.m. An Organ Recital by Albert Taylor.
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.
8.30 p.m. "High Spots"—No. 12.
9 p.m. Dance Music.
9.45 p.m. The News.
9.45 p.m. Giger and his Orchestra.
10 p.m. Close down.
Transmission 3
(G.S.B., G.S.E. and G.S.D.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.
10.45 p.m. "Thanks to Read."
11 p.m. The Central Band of H.M. Royal Air Force.
12 a.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.30 a.m. The News.
12.45 a.m. An Organ Recital by Ralph T. 12.45 a.m. Close down.
Transmission 4
(G.S.B. and G.S.D.)
1.15 a.m. Big Ben. "The Empties." (5th Edition).
2 a.m. The News.
2.15 a.m. Violin Solo.
2.30 a.m. Reginald King and his Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.
3.30 a.m. The Rocky Mountaineers.
4 a.m. Close Round after Dinner.
4.45 a.m. Close down.
PART II
5 a.m. Mrs. Todgers.
5.15 a.m. The Scottish Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 5 a.m.
6 a.m. The News.
6.15 a.m. Dance Music.
6.45 a.m. Close down.

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7 p.m. The "Town Crier" presents a Quarter-Hour of Melody.
7.15 p.m. Spanish Music, featuring Jerry and his Romancers, Alice Worrick, Ramon Escudero, Johnny Harris and Luis Arana.
7.30 p.m. Songs of the Philippines by Alonzo Ibañez.
7.45 p.m. "Mildred Liza" Assurance Co. Programme (Chas. KZEG).
8 p.m. On Wings of Song with Ramon Alberto.
8.15 p.m. N. E. P. A. Programme.
9 p.m. Opera Night. Featuring Verdi's "Otello," performed by Artigas, Chorus and Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, directed by Carlo Sabajno.
11 p.m. Sign Off.

R.A.F. COLLEGE

NEW COMMANDANT FOR ANDOVER

London, Jan. 8.
Air Vice-Marshal A. S. Barratt has been appointed commandant of the Royal Air Force Staff College at Andover.
Air Vice-Marshal Barratt served with the Shanghai Defence Force in 1927.—*Reuter*.
Air Vice-Marshal Arthur Sheridan Barratt, C.M.G., M.C., has been Senior Air Staff Officer at the Headquarters of the R.A.F. in India since 1932.
Having graduated from Woolwich he was seconded to the R.F.C. in 1914, and served on the Western Front throughout the War. He has been Chief Instructor at Andover and commanded the R.A.F. No. 1 group at Peshawar from 1931 to 1932.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held On Monday, the 13th day of January, 1936, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Lung Tsai in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 76 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years, less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, \$200.00 in cash—This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

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END OF NOTABLE JOURNEY

RUSSIAN INFLUENCE IN SINKIANG

New Delhi, Jan. 8.
Sir Eric Teichmann has arrived at Gilgit on the last stage of his adventurous journey from Peking via Hami, Urumchi, Kashgar, the Karakoram pass and on to Kashgar.

The Indian Government is sending the Viceroy's Avro aeroplane to bring Sir Eric to Delhi, where he is due in a week's time.

The Avro machine in question will be the first civil aircraft to use the Gilgit route along the Indus to the shoulder of Nanga Parbat one of the highest peaks of the Himalayas, accomplishing in a few hours a journey which would take three weeks on foot, over the 14,000 feet high mountain passes covered with snow.

Sir Eric Teichmann while at Delhi will write a report of the recent developments in Sinkiang, especially on the growth of Russian influence, which is seriously hitting British Indian trade.

He is expected to draw attention to the discriminating passport restrictions on traders from India about which the Indian Government is already negotiating with the Chinese authorities.

Sir Eric will also deal with consular representation, and he is supposed to hold the view that representation at Urumchi is specially desirable.

Lady Teichmann is due at Delhi at the end of January and will accompany her husband on their voyage to England.—*Reuter*.

AMBULANCE BRIGADE RALPH SHIELD COMPETITION ON SUNDAY

The annual ambulance competition for the award of the Ralph Shield has been arranged for Sunday, January 12 and January 13, on the open ground opposite St. John's Ambulance Brigade at Causeway Bay.

The conditions remain the same as in previous years, save that the minimum number of men representing a division must be not less than 70 per cent. of the efficient strength of the division.

Arrangements for the Mok Cho Chuen trophy will be made on the completion of the Ralph Shield competition.

Friends and all interested in the work of the Brigade are invited to witness the proceedings.

His Excellency, The Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, C.M.G., C.B.E., has kindly promised to conduct the Annual Inspection, the date of which will be announced later.



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INWARD MAILS

Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 12th December and London Parcel—London, 6th December—and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam, 28th December 1935)	Chitral	January 9.
Saigon, Shanghai and Amoy	Proserpine	January 9.
Shanghai, Fochow and Amoy	Szechuen	January 9.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 19th Dec. 1935)	Tilsadan	January 9.
Haliphong	Carthage	January 10.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 21st December)	G. G. Paul Doumer	January 10.
Japan	Pros. Jefferson	January 10.
Manila	Tango Maru	January 10.
Shanghai	General Pershing	January 11.
Japan	Marchal Joffre	January 11.
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	January 11.
Straits and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" (London, 28th Dec.)	Philactetes	January 12.
Manila	Glauco	January 12.
Japan	Naruto Maru	January 13.
Manila	Pros. Cleveland	January 13.
Shanghai	Andro Lebon	January 14.
Japan	Bengal Maru	January 14.
Shanghai	Sarpedon	January 14.
Manila	Stuttgart	January 15.
Amoy	Talms	January 15.
Australia and Manila	Kitans Maru	January 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kumang	January 16.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 27th Dec. 1935)	Pros. Coolidge	January 16.
Japan and Shanghai	Behar	January 17.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 28th December 1935)	Emp. of Canada	January 17.
Straits	Hakone Maru	January 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Katori Maru	January 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 20th Dec.)	Pros. Monroe	January 17.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Straits	Cremer	Thurs., Jan. 9, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Sirdhana	Thurs., Jan. 9, 5 p.m.
	Friday.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukuen Maru Fri.	Jan. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tilsadan	Fri., Jan. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand	Talping	Fri., Jan. 10, 8.30 a.m.
via Thursday Island	Parcels	Jan. 9, 5 p.m.
(Due Thursday Island, 21st Jan.)	Reg.	Jan. 10, 8.45 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Chitral	Reg.	Jan. 10, 9.30 a.m.
Siberia	Canton	Fri., Jan. 10, 2.00 p.m.
Haliphong	Haining	Fri., Jan. 10, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow		
	Saturday.	
Letters for "Imperial Service" (Due London, 24th January.)	Carthage	Sat., Jan. 11.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" (Due Amsterdam, 26th January.)		
Letters for "Singapore—Australia Service" (Due Darwin, 21st January.)		
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Reg., Jan. 10, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Jan. 11, 9 a.m.	
Letters, Jan. 11, 9 a.m.	Letters, Jan. 11, 9.30 a.m.	
Shanghai and Japan	Marchal Joffre Sat.	Jan. 11, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Carthage	Letters	Jan. 10, 9.30 a.m.
East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles		
(Due Marseilles 7th February)		
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Parcels, Jan. 10, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels, Jan. 10, 5 p.m.	
Reg., Jan. 11, 9 a.m.	Reg., Jan. 11, 9.45 a.m.	
Letters, Jan. 11, 10 a.m.	Letters, Jan. 11, 10.30 a.m.	
Australia (except places North of Brisbane) and New Zealand via "Singapore and Brisbane" (To connect with the a. "Nieuw Holland" at Singapore, leaving Singapore, 1st Feb.)		
Reg., Jan. 11, 8.45 a.m.	Letters, Jan. 11, 9.30 a.m.	
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haliphong	Kingyuan	Sat., Jan. 11, 1 p.m.
Manila	Pros. Jefferson Sat.	Jan. 11, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung	Sat., Jan. 11, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, *Europe via Marseilles	General Pershing	Sat., Jan. 11.
(Due San Francisco, 3rd February.)	Parcels	Jan. 11, 3 p.m.
	Reg.	Jan. 11, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Jan. 11, 5 p.m.

Sunday.
Bangkok via Swatow Kalgan Sun., Jan. 12, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru Sun., Jan. 12, 9 a.m.

Monday
Port Bayard, Hohow, Pakhoi and G. G. Paul Doumer
Haliphong Mon., Jan. 13, 1 p.m.

Tuesday.
Batavia Tjikembang Tues., Jan. 14, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for "Air Orient Service"—Andre Lebon Tues., Jan. 14.
due Marseilles, 27th January

K. P. O. G. P. O.
Reg., Jan. 13, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Jan. 14, 9 a.m.
Letters, Jan. 14, 9 a.m. Letters, Jan. 14, 9.30 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, Emp. of Japan Tues., Jan. 14.
U.S.A., Central and South America, B.C. (Parcels for Canada only) and *Europe via Siberia

(Due Vancouver, B.C., 1st February) Parcels, Jan. 13, 5 p.m.
(Due Vancouver, B.C., 1st February) Reg., Jan. 14, 9.15 a.m.
Letters, Jan. 14, 10 a.m.

Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Andro Lebon Tues., Jan. 14.
East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles 10th February)

K. P. O. G. P. O.
Reg., Jan. 14, 9 a.m. Reg., Jan. 14, 9.45 a.m.
Letters, Jan. 14, 10 a.m. Letters, Jan. 14, 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow Halitan Tues., Jan. 14, 8 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, Francisco and *Europe via San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 14th Feb.)

Parcels, Jan. 14, 3 p.m. Reg., Jan. 14, 4.15 p.m.
Letters, Jan. 14, 5 p.m.

Wednesday.
Fochow via Swatow Chungking Wed., Jan. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Sarpedon Wed., Jan. 15.

K. P. O. G. P. O.
Reg., Jan. 14, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Jan. 15, 8.45 a.m.
Letters, Jan. 15, 9 a.m. Letters, Jan. 15, 9.30 a.m.

Amoy Tainan Wed., Jan. 15, 3.30 p.m.

Thursday.
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Jan. 7. Jan. 8.

British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1962 £105½ £109

Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.)	£102½	£102½
4½% Loan 1908	£ 96	£ 97
5% Loan 1912	£ 74½	£ 75
5% Recog. Loan 1913 (Lan. Iss.)	£ 90½	£ 90½
5% Gold Bonds 1926-47	£ 99½	£ 99½
5% Shai-Nanking Rly.	£ 69	£ 69½
5% Tient-Pukow Rly.	£ 32	£ 32
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 31	£ 31
5% Honan Rly.	£ 28	£ 28
5% Hukwang Rly.	£ 47½	£ 47½
5% Lung Tsing U. Hui Rly. 1913	£ 19	£ 19

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7% Int. Loan 1924	£ 59½	£ 60
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 85	£ 85
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 97	£ 97
H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.)	£ 97	£ 98
Chartered Bk. of I.A. & C.	£ 13½	£ 13½

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Ironfounders	37/3	37/3
Associated & Elec. Industries	43/9	43/9
Austin Motors ord. sh.	43/3	44/-
Boots Pure Drug	50/-	50/3
British-American Tobacco (bearer)	115/9	115/7½
Canadian Celanese	121/3	122/6
Chinese Eng. and Min. (bearer)	11/9	11/6
Courtaulds	60/3	60/-
Distillers	98/3	98/-
Dunlop Rubber	41/9	42/-
Elec. and Musical Industries	27/3	27/1½
General Electric (England)	74/9	75/-
Hawker Aircraft	29/6	29/3
Imperial Chem. Ind.	37/3	37/3
O.K. Bazaar	52/9	52/6
Imperial Tobacco	155/7½	155/7½
Rolls Royce	156/10½	156/10½
Shai Elec. Constr.	49/-	46/-
Tate & Lyle	89/-	89/3
Turner & Newall	74/6	74/3
United Steel	31/10½	31/7½
Vickers ord.	20/3	20/6
Watney, Combe & Reid def. ord.	78/6	78/6
Woolworths	118/9	119/3

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch	27/3	27/9
Guthrie Rubber	24/-	24/-
Pekin Synd.	1/3	1/3
Rubber Plantation Invest. Trust	31/3	31/9

Mines

Burma Corp.	11/4½	11/6
Commonwealth Mining	9/9	9/9
Randfontein Estates	54/3	54/-
Sparrowwater Options	8/3	8/3
Springs Mines	46/-	44/4½
Sub-Nigel	255/-	255/-
Rhokana Corp.	108/3	108/3

Oils

Anglo-Italian	70/-	69/4½
Burmah	82/6	82/6
Shell Trans. and Trud. (bearer)	84/4½	83/1½
Chosen Corp.	11/6	11/3
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May	10.86	10.81/82
July	10.61	10.60/60
October	10.10	10.12/12
December (1936)	10.10	10.10/10
Spot	11.80	11.80

New York Rubber

March	13.96a	14.05/06
May	14.09	14.21/21
July	14.24	14.35b/36
September	14.49	14.59/50
December	14.60	14.73b/75a
Total sales, 411 lots		

Chicago Wheat		
May	103	102½/102¾
July	90¼	89¼/89¾
September	88½	87½/87¾
Tuesday's sales: 25,070,000 bushels		

Chicago Corn		
May	61½	61½/61¾
July	62½	62¼/62
September	62½	62¼/62
Tuesday's sales: 2,428,000 bushels		

Winnipeg Wheat		
May	80	88½/88¾
July	80½	89

New York Silk		
March	1.98	1.97½/98¾
May	1.97	1.97½/97¾
July	1.97	1.97

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NAVAL ACCORD PROSPECTS

With wide divergence of view-
points clearly revealed by the
London Naval Conference dis-
cussions, the task of reaching an
agreement satisfactory to all
parties would appear at the mo-
ment to be somewhat remote.
Indeed, Japanese sources are
already predicting the failure of
the negotiations. Agreement on
a quantitative basis is now con-
ceded to be practically impossi-
ble, and the Conference is at the
moment engaged on the task of
assimilating the proposals put
forward by Britain, France and
Italy, or choosing one of them
as the framework in which to
seek qualitative limitation. The
question is whether accord can
be secured in regard to qualita-
tive limits on maximum tonnage
and gunnage. Such an agree-
ment would reduce the cost of
competition and prevent naval
nations having continuously to
renew their navies owing to new
types and inventions being
adopted elsewhere which would
make existing vessels useless.
Japan places much importance
on "equality of security," but
both Britain and the United
States appear disinclined to
yield on this point. As Lord
Lothian has pointed out, they
say that the history of the past
five years proves that Japan al-
ready has security, because her
co-signatories have not felt
strong enough to interfere with
her violations of the Nine-
Power Treaty; that the United
States has two oceanic fronts to
protect, one in the Atlantic and
the other in the Pacific; while
Britain has the immense line of
her Empire communication run-
ning from the North Sea to New
Zealand, through the Mediter-
ranean or the Cape of Good
Hope; while Japan has only the
single front facing the Pacific.
It is considered, therefore, that
Japan's demand for naval parity
is, in fact, a demand not for
"equality of security," but for
decisive supremacy in the Paci-
fic. Japan, on the other hand,

is afraid that an Anglo-Ameri-
can combination, especially if
supported by Russia, might
force her to abandon or limit
her expansion on the mainland
and her desire to expel non-
Asiatic Powers from influence
in the Far East. The sugges-
tion has been put forward that
eventually the governing factor
may be the purse; that it may
be easier for Japan to acquiesce
in a ratio lower than parity if
Britain and the United States in
practice each lay down five keels

Would YOU pay him more?

the man who keeps Britain's
fire burning wants two shillings
a day more pay. On an average
a British miner makes £2 5s. a
week, and to-day will decide
whether his demands for an
increase will be met. In the
following article a writer
explains the difficulties that
are experienced in Britain's
Coal-mining industry.

THE Coal Trade for a century and more
has occupied a prominent place in the
minds of the people of this country. Yet,
strangely enough, very few outside the
Coal Trade have anything but the most
superficial knowledge of the numerous
difficulties which confront the employers
and the employed.

It is therefore of the utmost
importance that the general
public should be able to have
the fullest information concern-
ing the Coal Trade, because the
industry is in itself so vital to
the welfare of the country, and
gives employment to so many
men.

The best way of approach is
to set out the difficulties which
confront the owners and the
men.

NOTES OF THE DAY

AN APT REFERENCE

In his first speech as Chancellor
of the University of Hongkong, His
Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott
made apt and effective use of a
paraphrased version of the "Tre-
lawny" refrain, so familiar to
Cornishmen, from Hawker's "Song
of the Western Men." Sir John-
athan Trelawny, the noted prelate,
is the hero of that refrain, which
runs:

And shall Trelawny die?
Here's twenty thousand Cornishmen
Will know the reason why.
"Sir Jonathan was loyal to King
James until the first declaration of
indulgence. In 1857, when, as a
Bishop, he used his influence with
his clergy against the King, and, as
a Cornish land-owner, resisted
the attempt to assemble a packed
Parliament. In the following year,
he signed a petition against the
second declaration of indulgence,
and was in consequence imprisoned
in the Tower of London with
Archbishop Sancroft and five other
Bishops, eventually sharing their
triumphant acquittal. The refrain,
"And shall Trelawny die?" were
sung by the men of Cornwall, who
seem to have assembled during the
Bishop's short imprisonment. It
has, however, been suggested that
it is probable that a similar threat
was heard sixty years previously,
when John Trelawny, grandfather
of the Bishop, was imprisoned by
the House of Commons for oppos-
ing the election of Sir John Elliot
to Parliament.

to three. As against this, how-
ever, it is pointed out that in
this era of power politics, finan-
cial resolution is as important
as naval morale, and Japan may
decide to put the issue to the
test of practice before abandon-
ing her attempt at parity. The
next few days of the London
Conference may be decisive.
But the portents at the moment
are not such as to encourage the
hope that anything like a satis-
factory adjustment of the issues
involved will be achieved.

for the service of those
mines. The main interest of
the owner is to reduce his
working costs to a minimum, not
only to enable him to obtain a
reasonable rate of interest on
the capital expended, but at the
same time to put him in a po-
sition to pay the highest wages
possible.

To lay a pit idle because trade
may be slack is a most expensive
proceeding, so the owner con-
tinues working and paying
wages to the miners even though
he may be losing money. He
hopes that when trade improves
he will be in a position to re-
coup himself for the losses which
he has sustained.

The last five years tell a sad
story. The majority of districts
have been working at a loss,
which means that the consumer
has been receiving coal at a
price both to owner and miner.

SHORT-TIME working where
wages are on the minimum
must spell hard times for
many. But pay-tickets selected
for publication because they
are exceptionally low do not
tell the whole story. There
is almost invariably some
valid reason for them, and,
when circumstances warrant,
a fair adjustment; and they
can always be more than
balanced by other pay-tickets
which show exceptionally high
pay.

The men naturally look for a
reasonably high rate of re-
muneration, and this naturally
evokes from the community a
full measure of sympathy.

At the present time the British
owners are criticised on four
principal grounds: It is alleged
that:

The wages they pay are too
low;
They are in some way de-
frauding the miners by making
hidden profits;
They have been slow or
obstructive in "reorganising"
the industry;
They persist in their refusal
to meet the miners for national
wages negotiations.

I THINK it must be clear to all
that owners would like to see
wage rates raised well above the



Typical study
of a British
miner and
one of his
children

if it is not bought), or if the
prices at which it is sold are
unremunerative, wages cannot
be increased above their present
level without bankruptcy result-
ing.

THE public understand that
the money for wages in-
creases is not available in the
industry at the present time,
but there are many who believe
that there are concealed profits,
or who think that money must
be available because a few
colliery undertakings have been
able to declare dividends.

Now to take the second point
first. It is not, perhaps, gen-
erally understood that wages
are not settled pit by pit, or
colliery by colliery, but district
by district; and the miners
maintain that even these areas
are too small and that wages
should be settled nationally. So
the fact that a particular colliery
undertaking is working at a
profit and paying dividends does
not mean that all the collieries
in that district can afford to pay
increased wages. In fact,
where no profit is made by a
district as a whole, any profit
by an individual colliery must
be balanced by a loss at another.
The allegation in relation to
"hidden profits" appears to be
two-fold. It is suggested:

First, that colliery owners
own by-product plants to
which they sell coal at less
than the market price, or
even at a loss, thereby reduc-
ing the pit-head proceeds
upon which the miners' wages
are calculated, and recoup
themselves out of the profits
they make on these by-product
plants.

Secondly, that collieries
dispose of coal to "selling
agencies" (in which they are
shareholders) at unremuner-
ative prices, and that the pro-
fits which these selling
agencies make out of the
colliery owners but not to
that of the miners.

IN regard to by-product plants,
the answer is simple. The
coal transferred to them must
be transferred at fair market
prices; it is the duty of the ac-
countants appointed by the
miners to see that this is actual-
ly done; and they have access
to the colliery books for that
purpose.

One may reasonably ask what
better safeguard could be pro-
vided. According to some, it
might be imagined that these
by-product plants were verita-
ble gold mines, and that every
colliery possessed them. Actual-
ly they consist in the main of
coke-oven plants; the coal con-
sumed at them is a very small
proportion of the total output
of the country.

In point of fact in many dis-
tricts there are few or none of
these plants; and certainly by-
product plants have been and
are making losses.

The other allegation is equally
without foundation.
The prices at which coal is sold
to subsidiary selling agencies
are closely scrutinised by the
auditors appointed by the work-
men for the purpose of the
wages ascertaining, and this
provides an effective guarantee
against the selling agency
making more than legitimate
profits.

An SOS at Sea ...

TO the wireless operator at sea
the reception of a distress
call is a moment of intense
drama. The SOS may come to
him suddenly from the silence of
a great ocean. It may come as
a despairing whisper amid the
radio clamour of crowded
waters. In either case it is an
unforgettable experience.

His ship is nearing port, per-
haps. Scores of ships are work-
ing messages to and from shore.
The intermingling notes from a mul-
titude of various transmitters, growl-
ing, singing, stuttering, whistling,
become confused in a hideous cacoph-
ony.

It is as if the ether had gone mad.
In this confusion a ship is de-
spairingly calling for aid—SOS, SOS, SOS...

For a short time it may appear to
be unheard and unheeded as it strives
for attention through the hopeless
din.

But someone hears it. Imperative
is this operator calls to all ships in
his vicinity to cease traffic, no matter
how urgent, how important.

These others pass the command to
which reads: "There is no panic. All
yet others, and so the news is flashed
over a wide area. And then the
wireless notes begin to die. Wave
after wave of sound subsides.

So, in the stillness, the distressed
vessel is able to tap out its momentous
message without interference.

The wireless operators in the re-
ceiving ships are studies of grim con-

centration. Letter by letter the de-
liberate words are written down and
repeated to the captain. What follows
is his responsibility.

It may happen that an operator,
having had little or nothing to do for
hours in open waters, is electrified
by a sudden SOS.

Seldom, as has apparently happen-
ed with the Parlinga, is there in-
sufficient time for the wireless op-
erator to send out his message.

ONE night in January 1920, steam-
ing at a sluggish eight knots off
the coast of Rio de Oro, N.W. Africa,
there came to me an unexpected
SOS. It was from the French
liner l'Afrique, which had struck a
lightship near La Rochelle in the Bay
of Biscay.

My position showed that I was
about 1200 miles away, and I recom-
mended the ship to be taken to the
nearest port.

In which I served a small Portu-
guese tramp—about five days to get
for attention through the hopeless
din.

But, listening to the messages, one
by one, the drama that was being enacted so far
away. Finally there came a message
which read: "There is no panic. All
yet others, and so the news is flashed
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THE INTERPORT TRIAL NEED NOT BE A FIASCO

Worthy Team Can Be Picked From Players On View



Manning Railton, veteran footballer, who is appearing for the Club against Navy in Saturday's Shield tie.

GILCHRIST RETURNS

IN CLUB TEAM TO PLAY NAVY

ELLIOTT LEADING ATTACK

(By "Veritas").

A tit-bit of the Senior Shield draw is the clash between Club and Navy, and a first rate game can be expected at Happy Valley.

Navy discovered a good winning team last week and unless they are forced to, it is doubtful whether they will make changes. But they never know from one day to another whether their men will be available so that it is impossible to state the team for duty this week.



Forrow, Club centre-half, and one of the most promising of the younger footballers in Hongkong.

It may be this—Roberts, Stallard and Regier; Wallace, Bowers and Slavin; Philpin, Ryan, Cannel, Crawford and Dexter.

CLUB ALTERATIONS

Club have made two changes in personnel and in positions for this match. Elliott returns to lead the attack while Strange and Bickford will resume their customary places at inside left and outside left respectively. Gamble drops out of the half back line to allow Gilchrist, who has been in the Club's B team, to return at left half. Otherwise as before, namely:

Rodger, Railton and Strange; Skinner, Forrow and Gilchrist; Fowler, Hill, Elliott, E. Strange and Bickford.

NO POLICE CHANGES

Police are making no team changes for the match, and they will line up as follows: McFarley; Blackburn and Pilo; North, Gough, and Parker; T. Pilo, Stevens, Johnson, Brooks and Moss.

IF SELECTORS ACT WISELY

CIRCUMSTANCES IN WAY OF BEST ELEVEN BEING CHOSEN

(By "Veritas")

The number of letters already received in this office from readers submitting their "Ideal" Interport football teams is at least indicative of the profound interest taken in the annual Colony v. Shanghai encounter, even if they are also somewhat anticipatory and lacking a little in thought. Our correspondents have tended to ignore the fact that as yet only trial teams have been chosen by the selection committee, and that it has by no means bound itself down to a stated combination.

Perhaps the most interesting feature to emerge from these "free-lance" teams is that in practically all cases they are composed of players who have either been chosen to play next Sunday or are down as reserves. There are about three exceptions, namely Lee Wai-tong, Tay Qua-liang, and Tam Kong-pak. This is something of a vindication for the selectors.

It is a truism that "circumstances alter cases," and it is because of circumstances that one highly important factor must be taken into consideration in the selection of this year's Interport team. The match is not being held in Hongkong which means the committee has not 100 per cent. talent available. Players who would normally walk into trial teams and probably just as naturally be chosen for the Interport cannot get away from business to go to Shanghai. And a further retarding influence is that a number of our Chinese players are certain to be sent to Berlin later in the year and therefore cannot possibly hope to get time off for both events.

WHY THEY ARE NOT PICKED

It is only right to bear in mind, when criticising the selectors' nomination that they went to the trouble of trying to pick a team from all the leading players whether or not they would be available for Shanghai, if chosen. It must therefore be presumed that where certain players are not picked, it is because they have informed the committee of their inability to make the trip. The position being such it is obviously foolish to include them in a trial game.

Our correspondents therefore who have introduced names into their suggested Interport teams which do not appear in the trial must, I am afraid, resign themselves to the fact that those favourites will not secure positions in the finally chosen side. Not necessarily because the selectors do not share our correspondents' views, but because circumstances over which the committee has no control have forced their hands.

It is partly because of this, but largely because from the trial teams nominated it is possible to pick a very good (though not perhaps the best) Colony side, that I think the selectors have done quite well so far.

THE BIG POINT

The big point is: have they already made up their minds as to the team to be sent to Shanghai, so that Sunday's trial merely becomes a game to meet the formalities demanded by such an event?

If, with 22 players on view and another seven in reserve, the selectors are going to approach Sunday's trial with a fairly open mind, the match can be of tremendous value. If, however, their minds are completely and unalterably made up, and they are going to regard the match purely as a practice for their chosen players, then it is likely to be a farce and a waste of time.

And I say this not because I think it impossible even at this distance to select the best team from those on view, but because neither of the trial teams which will be on view can by any stretch of the imagination be regarded as an Interport team.

The Interport eleven must emerge from this trial and it is palpably impossible to attend the match with any finalised ideas about the composition of the team.

Indications are that the selectors are viewing the game with fairly open minds for there is little in the constitution of the teams to suggest it is even an Interport "Forwards v. Defence" test.

A POSSIBLE DEFENCE

The Blues, with Rodger, Mak Sul-hen and Sydney Strange could provide the Interport team with its defence, but somehow I can't help feeling that Swain has the red tick against him name for the right back position. Leung Wing-chui, Wong A-cashun and Lee Kwok-wai would make a good

half back line, but I think Leung Wing-chui, Beltrao and Lee Kwok-wai would make a better one. With all due respect to Wong as pivot of the finest team in the Colony, on present form Beltrao is the better player, and I also think he would be more effective than Wong behind an inside trio such as Ward, Elliott and Strange (or Talbot).

The selectors undoubtedly have a centre-forward problem. They tacitly admit it by bringing in Sandford. The point seems to be, is Leonard or Sandford better than Elliott? I am sure that is what it will boil down to. Elliott's chief opponent is Leonard, which is not meant as a disparagement of Sandford. Sandford is a rapidly improving player, but I question whether his experience is sufficient for such an important game.

There isn't a harder worker in local football than Sandford (and that includes Lee Wai-tong, Elliott, Leonard and all the rest), but something more than honest endeavour is needed in an Interport. It requires a centre-forward psychologically suited for such a match, and that psychology depends a great deal on experience.

FORWARD LINE PROBLEMS

It is unlikely that Ward will be challenged for the inside right position, but both wings and inside left berths are anything but certain. On the face of it the chief contenders for outside left are Bickford and Ridings, but Roberts of the Fusiliers has been picked reserve, and from my own observations I would say that Roberts is superior to Ridings, and that Bickford has little, if anything, over them.

Ernest Strange has not given very much evidence this season of being an Interport inside left, and this position cannot easily be filled. Talbot, thanks to his centre-half activities with the Fusiliers has clearly lost much of his skill as an inside left, and the selectors might do worse than search among their reserves.

Brooks of the Police has been chosen reserve half back. Now I wonder why? Brooks has been playing inside left for the Police lately and playing very well indeed. He is certainly to be regarded as a possibility. And the claims of Cheuk Shek-kam, who is reserve inside left for Sunday cannot be overlooked.

Cheuk is one of the smartest forwards in the game here. He has a great kick, is tricky, and generally speaking has as many qualifications as anybody else.

These are the reasons why the selectors will be very ill-advised to approach Sunday's trial with opinions too definitely formed. If they care to accept them, the match can provide them with sufficient material and pointers to encourage them to select the best Interport team available.

THE MOST INTERESTING MATCH IN SENIOR SHIELD

POLICE TO PLAY CONQUERORS OF CLUB DE RECREIO

(By "Veritas")

While the majority of soccer "fans" in England on Saturday will be shouting themselves hoarse with excitement at the English Cup ties, Hongkong followers of the game will be keenly watching eight Shield encounters. From these games should emerge the semi-finalists in the Senior and Junior Shields, and all other local football has been suspended for this purpose.

For such an early stage of the season there are some unusually attractive matches down for decision. Two in the senior tournament at least should provide first class entertainment, while three of the four Junior "ties" have "red-hot" possibilities.

Perhaps the most interesting of the games will be that between St. Andrew's and the Police, whose form this season has offered more scope for comment and speculation than any other team.

The match is scheduled for the Navy ground which should mean some sort of advantage to St. Joseph's who use it for their home fixtures. But it is such a fine playing pitch that visitors do not have the customary number of vagaries



B. Cosano, who is to lead the Whites against the Colours in Sunday's Interport trial match.

Easy Shield Ties For S. China Teams

KOWLOON MAKING ONE CHANGE

(By "Veritas")

The two South China Athletic teams are faced with comparatively easy tasks. South China "B", holders of the Senior Shield meet Royal Artillery (Lyemün), and although fullest credit must be given the Gunners for surviving their last test, it cannot be said they stand much chance this week. South China have shown real improvement of late and certainly will not make the mistake of taking things too easily.

The team has not been finally chosen at the time of writing, but it will be selected from the following: Pau Kaping; Leung In-chun, Lee Kam or Yu Hing-yuen; George Chan, Lam Tak-po, Henry Young or Yau Wah-hing; Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shui-wing, Ho Ka-keung, Ng Po-kui, Cheuk Shek-kam or Lee Shek-yau.

South China "A" have to make the trip to the Mainland to meet Kowloon, sensational conquerors of the Fusiliers. They too have not decided on the composition of the team, although it can be said that Tam Kong-pak will not be playing and Lau Mau is ill and therefore unable to appear at all. For outside left, Lee Wai-tong may be induced to this position, necessitating forward line alterations. Leung Wing-chui is also doubtful, but it is expected that Lee Wai-tong will turn out.

The team will be chosen from: Wong Wing; Li Tin-sang and Tay Qua-liang; Leung Wing-chui, Wong Mee-shun; Lee Kwok-wai or Lau Tinsui; Tao Kwai-shing, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Ip Pak-wai, Wong Ping-chung or Leung Ping-chui.

KOWLOON'S CHANGE

Kowloon are making one change from the team which has operated for the last few weeks. Kemp, right half makes his return after a bad injury sustained some time ago. It is the best side Kowloon can turn out, and will be:

Boyes; Everest and Eastman; Kemp, Bliss and Boyd; W. Knox, G. White, D. Knox, V. White and Honnibell.

Little hope can be held out for another Kowloon victory, but on their own ground and before their own supporters they should give South China a good run for their money. If memory serves me right this is not South China's happiest hunting ground. Was it not on the Railway ground that they lost to the Borderers and only luckily saved the game against the Navy when they were fighting hard but vainly for the championship?

Colony Hockey Under Review

Macao Put Up Two Good Exhibitions

UNFORTUNATE NOT TO BEAT H.K.S. BRIGADE LAST WEEK

In view of the fact that the H.K.S.R. Brigade were playing on their own ground, some of the players were rather disappointing against the Macao Hockey Club, when the teams met in an interesting match on the Marina last week.

The centre-forward was too intent on trying to break through on his own and often lost the ball when in a good position to pass to his colleagues. Lieut. Garthwaite was also prone to be selfish and attempted far too much dribbling against a first class defence.

Lieut. Ravenhill at centre-half worked very hard but he appeared to be somewhat slow, and his constructive efforts left much to be desired. Kishen Singh at left back was the mainstay of the defence and but for his timely clearances the Brigade would have suffered defeat instead of earning a draw.

Macao gave a grand exhibition of hockey on an unfamiliar ground, and not for a long time has such a speedy forward line been seen in Hongkong. But their chief strength lay in the intermediate line. A. Airosa playing magnificently as pivot. Nothing better in creative half back play has been seen at the Marina. The Portuguese custodian was also very prominent, and brought off a series of spectacular saves from short corners.

On the run of the play Macao struck one as being slightly the better team, and if H. Rosario had not been forced to leave the field ten minutes from the end they would have probably won. Earlier in the season it may be recalled, Macao beat the Brigade by the odd goal in seven.

K.I.T.C. COME UP TO SCRATCH

DESERVEDLY BEAT MACAO

Kowloon Indian Tennis Club did exceedingly well to beat Macao at the U.S.R.C. on Sunday. It was a very fast game and provided spectators with plenty of excitement.

For the most part the Indians had the upper hand. Gurbachan Singh was the brains of a clever attack, his brilliant stickwork and well-nigh uncanny sense of anticipation paying the way for at least two of the three goals scored.

Awair Singh and Pinto combined neatly and were always in the lime-light. Tara Singh at centre-half played one of his best games this season, his spitting tactics being highly effective. Kishen Singh was as sound as a rock at left back and Ramzan in goal gave a sparkling exhibition.

Macao, although restored to a grass pitch, played like a very tired team and appeared to be suffering from the effects of their strenuous match with the H.K.S.R. Brigade of the previous day.

Nolasco on the right wing, Ramalho at inside right, and Rosorio, inside left, were the pick of the forward line, while A. Airosa at centre-half, L. Costa at left half and Rodrigues at left back were other players who caught the eye. If all is well, we shall see the Macao Club here again during Chinese New Year.

STARTING MAMAK PROGRAMME

ST. ANDREW'S FIRST GAME

ON SUNDAY NEXT

It is good news to hear that St. Andrew's Men's Hockey Club have been given the loan of the Marina ground for a month, which means that the team will be in action against the K.I.T.C. in a Mamak League game on Sunday morning.

This will be the Saints' first match of the season and their strength and prospects will be commented on in my notes next week.

The other first division match between the Radio and Royal Engineers has been postponed as the Sappers are unable to turn out a team.

The Royal Engineers "B" will oppose C.B.A. in a second division game on the C.B.A. ground on Sunday at 11.15 a.m.

By "The Pilgrim"

Macao Put Up Two Good Exhibitions

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RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP REPLAY

HANTS DEFEAT SURREY

London, Jan. 8. Surrey and Hampshire met in the County Rugby Championship replay at Richmond to-day when Hampshire won by five points to three.

In another match Bristol lost to the Royal Navy, the winners scoring six points without reply.—*Reuter.*

CHAMPIONS BOW TO "Y"

H.K. LADIES LOSE RECORD

Hongkong Ladies, champions of the Cacer Clark Cup competition were made to bid farewell to their unbeaten record last week, when they bowed before Y.M.C.A., who scored the only goal of the match.

It was a fine achievement on the part of the winners, who were splendidly served by Miss Anne Fowler and Miss Olive Dalziel. Mrs. Read scored the necessary goal and this redeemed an otherwise rather disappointing display. If Mrs. Read had been at her best the "Y" would have won by a much bigger margin as she had several opportunities of scoring.

Miss Grey played her usual solid game for the losers, and Mrs. Bell at left half was the most energetic player on view.

This success for the Y.M.C.A. has made the struggle for the championship most interesting and there are now three teams concerned in the contest for the honours. Hongkong, C.B.A., and Y.M.C.A. have all lost one and drawn one, but with the Y.M.C.A. the most improved team in the Colony I am bold enough to suggest them as eventual winners of the league. Next week they meet the C.B.A. and this may well prove to be the match of the season.

Blow To Interport Hopes

CENTREFORWARD UNAVAILABLE

It has come to a sad blow to all hockey enthusiasts to learn that Mrs. G. A. White, the Colony's brilliant centre-forward cannot make the trip to Shanghai for the Interport owing to pressure of business.

Her place will be filled (and I am sure ably filled) by Miss P. Gittins, the versatile St. Andrew's skipper and leader. Miss Gittins has shown consistent form this season and is fully worthy to take over such a responsible position.

The selectors seem doubtful as to whom to bring as reserve and I would like to suggest Miss Olive Dalziel of the Y.M.C.A. This young lady has improved her game out of all knowledge and is one of the best right wingers in the Colony at the moment.

If Miss Dalziel is included in the team on the right wing the selectors will find that Miss M. Smith can fill any vacancy which may occur in the attack.

I understand our Interport ladies are to receive a few hints on Thursday next before sailing for Shanghai, and we all hope they will prove to be beneficial.

RECREIO LOSE HEART

Players On The Injured List

Central British Ladies proved to be much too strong for the Recreio and won by four clear goals. Miss M. Smith had a good match and scored two goals, while as usual Mrs. White led the attack in fine style.

The Recreio ladies have still to give of their best this season. It seems they have lost heart through losing several of their best players from injuries. Miss Silva-Neta for example has been out of the game for some weeks. It is to be hoped they will try and recover their confidence for the remaining fixtures.

R. Abbit To Reply

R. Abbit, Telegraph cricket correspondent informs us that he will be replying to-morrow to Mr. A. W. Hayward's letter which appeared in yesterday's issues of this paper.

Poor Forward Play In Rugby Trial

BUT DEFENCES SHINE: YESTERDAY'S LEADING PERSONALITIES

Yesterday's trial match to discover a team to represent the Colony against the New Zealand Universities rugby outfit did not help tremendously although certain players were prominent in defence. The match—Colours v. Whites—ended in a draw of six points each.

Robertson played a sound game and though he failed with several penalty kicks, his touch, finding and kicking were of exceptional quality. He was exceptionally good and gained many useful yards.

Fraser also shone in the defensive position and was as good as Robertson on the day's showing. He followed up strongly and was always safe with his hands. St. Clair Ford played his usual bustling game and was a tower of strength in the three-quarter lines. McGilchrist and Fraser were a fast combination and, when Withers went into Wright's place at half-time, the Whites proved dangerous whenever they got the ball.

Telegraphist Jones came on at the interval in place of Griffiths and, though inclined at first to hang on to the ball too long, he justified his apparent selfishness by paving the way with a determined and tricky run, for a try by Peers.

COLOURS

P. C. Frost; J. Hutchinson, Rov. Mackenzie Dow, H. C. Mecke, L. Withers, n.n., R. H. Griffiths, Mne. Peerce; F. J. McGugan; I. R. Andrews; S. H. Garrod; J. S. Dunnett; W. P. Peers; B. D. G. Barlow, E. B. Gammell, A. B. Evans.

WHITES

L. G. Robertson; H. R. McGilchrist, Lt. Fraser, n.n., Lt. St. Clair Ford, n.n., Mid. Wright, n.n., A.H.R. Butcher, Lt. Knox, n.n., Mne. Light, G. S. Chambers, n.n., F. Walkden, Pay-Lt. S. Chambers, n.n., Lt. Winter, n.n., E. P. Humphreys, Dr. J. H. McElroy, M. S. Cumming.

Eliot Hall Stronger Than Ever

Big Badminton Victory

IN FIRST MATCH OF THE SEASON

Fire Brigade Lose

(By "Veritas")

Unless something goes radically wrong Eliot Hall "A" are going to win the men's doubles badminton championship again this year. Last night they made their first appearance of the current season, visiting Kowloon Tong and winning by nine matches to love and 189 aces to 46.

Although denied the assistance of Goon and Wong, Eliot Hall have retained the nucleus of last year's team and are as powerful as ever. They played classy badminton last evening and gave the Kowloon Tong players an object lesson in doing the right thing at the right moment.

If anything I thought Eliot Hall played purer badminton in this match than any time during last season, for whereas a year ago they were inclined to make a fetish of the short game, they have now developed a powerful baseline game which they mix very discriminately with drop shots from the net.

It was a pleasure to watch their court-craft and to see how easily they out-manoeuvred their less expert opponents. They exploited the lob in its most effective form, namely to wait until the opponent advanced too quickly on deep drives, while they were always getting sufficiently acute angles on their drop shots to make them outright aces. For the most part they were faultless overhead and it was interesting to note how they coordinated the use of a flat racket and plenty of wrist work in their smashing. The shuttle usually traveled very much faster than when the Kowloon Tong players "dilled".

Eliot Hall probably feel they can strengthen their third pair, as Hong, a very young player is not quite up to the standard of his colleagues. Even so with their first two couples Eliot Hall should prove capable of withstanding any opposition, and it is well nigh impossible to conceive them being beaten this season.

FIRE BRIGADE LOSE AT HOME

The defeat of E. L. H. Shute and J. L. Anderson by H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier brought about the defeat of Fire Brigade by Recreio "B" at the Police Headquarters last evening. The visitors won by the odd game after a match which sustained its interest until the last.

There were several keenly contested games. Beltrao and Alves only just beat Greenwood and Skinner in another important game, and Stoker and Fisher had a stiff time in overcoming the Recreio third pair.

M. A. Oliveira re-appeared in the Recreio "A" team against St. Andrew's "B", his arm having recovered from a recent injury. He and Alves won their three games, without being extended, but J. Ribeiro and B. N. da Silva, a rather weak third pair, conceded two games to cut the Recreio's winning margin down to 7-2.

Complete scores of the three matches follow.

KOWLOON TONG v. ELIOT HALL

S. A. Gray and P. K. Leung (Kowloon Tong) lost to T. C. Lee and P. K. Chan 1-21; lost to C. O. Lee and K. Y. Lee 0-21; lost to C. S. Hong and K. S. Lien 16-21.

A. Chan and B. K. Wong (Kowloon Tong) lost to Lee and Chan 1-21; lost to Lee and Lee 2-21; lost to Hong and Lien 12-21.

G. A. White and J. M. Pong (Kowloon Tong) lost to Lee and Chan 1-21; lost to Lee and Lee 1-21; lost to Hong and Lien 2-21.

RECREIO "A" v. ST. ANDREW'S "B"

H. A. Alves and M. A. Oliveira (Recreio) beat M. Weill and A. S. Blais 21-1; beat S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus 21-3; beat L. Kirby and J. Dawson 21-5.

L. A. Carvalho and A. Silva (Recreio) beat Weill and Blais 21-0; beat Kirby and Dawson 21-2.

E. L. H. Shute and J. L. Anderson (Fire Brigade) lost to H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier 14-21; beat F. Remedios and A. Basto 21-5; beat N. Beltrao and E. Alves 21-7.

W. Stoker and A. L. Fisher (Fire Brigade) lost to Barros and Xavier 21-1; beat Remedios and Basto 21-9; beat Beltrao and Alves 21-15.

E. Greenwood and L. D. Skinner

(Fire Brigade) lost to Barros and Xavier 1-21; lost to Remedios and Basto 11-21; lost to Beltrao and Alves 18-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	L	P	A	Pts
Recreio "B"	7	6	1	46	11	12
St. Andrew's "A"	5	5	0	40	5	10
Recreio "A"	5	5	0	38	7	10
C.R.C.	5	4	1	34	11	8
Fire Brigade	5	4	2	27	8	8
St. John's	7	4	3	28	35	8
St. Andrew's "B"	6	2	4	21	33	4
Taikoo R.C.	6	2	4	19	36	4
Eliot Hall "A"	1	0	0	0	0	2
Eliot Hall "B"	1	0	0	0	0	2
V.R.C.	7	1	6	18	45	2
S. and S. Home	6	0	6	17	37	0
Kowloon Tong	7	7	0	21	60	0

BADMINTON GAMES POSTPONED

Eliot Hall And C.R.C. To-night

To-night Eliot Hall "A" play their second match of the season in the men's doubles division of the badminton league when they visit Chinese Recreation Club. It should provide a splendid encounter.

Club de Recreio have postponed two matches, one in the men's doubles to-night against Eliot Hall "B", and the other on Friday in the mixed doubles against the Chinese Recreation Club.

CORRESPONDENCE

Another Suggested Interport Team

Sir,—I shall appreciate very much if you would kindly publish in your valuable paper my suggested team for the coming Interport, to be held in Shanghai.

Pau Ka-ping; A. V. Gosano and Tam Kong-pak; Leung Wing-chiu, Beltrao and Lee Kwok-wai; E. Beltrao; Fung King-cheong; Lee Wai-long; E. Strange and Bickford.

RETIRED PLAYER

P.S. I am sure that this team will put up a good fight against the Shanghai Team.

Most Interesting Shield Tie

(Continued from Page 8.)

with which to contend, and are therefore able to settle down very much more quickly than on other grounds such as Caroline Hill, Kowloon and on the Happy Valley.

So I do not think we can take much notice of ground advantages. For all practical purposes they are negligible. The result should determine itself on the respective merits of the teams.

If anything the Police will probably start favourites if only because of their improved league form of late. They appear to have solved to a large extent their earlier forward line problems and have now an attack capable of scoring plenty of goals. Furthermore they have no half back worries, and if there has been a discernible slackening off in defence, it has not yet shown itself seriously and may be regarded purely as a passing phase.

RARE FIGHTERS

The team certainly strikes one as being better balanced than St. Joseph's. But the Saints are rare fighters and this quality may pull them through on Saturday as it did against Recreio. Taken in its entirety the team was not frightfully impressive that day but the forwards seized opportunities and got goals. Police rearguard cannot afford to make mistakes for in Dave Leonard and Ward they have two of the smartest forwards in the local game. Ward can create the openings and Leonard is capable of turning them to account.

St. Joseph's confront a formidable task in stopping the now very alert and enterprising Police attack. Johnson's snap shooting and Brooke's virility has given new life to the banners, and when in their happiest mood they are capable of routing the best of defences. Sinclair at centre-half will have well-defined duties, but in his final analysis I expect Costa will be the chief stumbling block. This long-legged left back has made greater improvement during the last two seasons than any other player in Hongkong and is worthy to rank as one of the leading defenders in local football. His only difficulty is in recovering, he is apt to be slow. But his first-time kicking is a joy to behold and he is no ignoramus in the art of positioning.

"DARKIE" LEE TO PLAY?

St. Joseph's hope to strengthen their team by the inclusion of "Darkie" Lee. Lee is expected down here from Swatow to-day or tomorrow, and if he arrives it seems fairly certain he will play at outside right. He should be a real asset to the forward line.

St. Joseph's will be chosen from the following:—U. B. Sousa; L. Sousa and V. Costa; Wood, Sinclair and Elms; "Darkie" Lee (or Victor); Ward, D. Leonard, Hussain and Fernandez.

INNINGS WIN FOR THE AUSTRALIANS

Eastern Province Again Out Under 100

Port Elizabeth, Jan. 8. The Australian Test team quickly polished off their match with Eastern Province to-day, winning by an innings and 144 runs.

Continuing their first innings from the overnight score of 189 for 4, the Australians went on to aggregate 352. Richardson missed his century, being out for 84, and to-day Davies, a very promising bowler put down some fine stuff to earn him final figures of 6 for 80.

Battling a bad cold time Eastern Province could do no better than in their initial effort, and were again dismissed for less than 100. The last wicket fell at 80, McCormick being the chief-transter with 5 for 129.—Reuter.

DESTROY THIS SILLY INTERPORT RULE!

RESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS CANNOT BE DEFINED

OLD SUBJECT RESURRECTED

(By "Veritas")

That old question is with us again! You know! That one about Interport footballers possessing residential qualifications. My contemporary "Referee" has introduced it this time. Isn't it about time it was fairly analysed?

To start with I affirm most categorically that it is a ridiculous rule in its present form. You have only to look at it twice to appreciate that nothing could be more vague. This is how it reads:

"Only players actually resident at a Port shall be eligible to represent that Port in this (Interport) competition, and no period of less than one month shall constitute residence for the purpose of this rule."

The italics are mine.

What does that latter part mean? One month from or before when? Is it one complete uninterrupted month or a month composed of any fifteen week-ends? If a player has resided for one complete month, say at the beginning of the season is he eligible? In any case why make the qualification residential?

IT IS ILLOGICAL

For years now we have had players, resident and employed in Canton appearing in local league football as bona-fide members of clubs affiliated to the Hongkong F.A. Isn't this sufficient qualification for them to play for the Port in representative football? And if not, why not? It doesn't need to be demonstrated that the most logical qualification is to be a playing member of a club affiliated with the H.K.F.A. and taking part in its competitions.

In any case this popular idea that there are a number of Chinese players from Canton in local football who do not comply with the existing residential qualification ruling can be exploded as a myth. It is a fact that all of these players can point to residences in Hongkong though possibly they only use them twice a week. The suggestion made in our contemporary that Wong Wing, Li Tinsang and Tam Kong-pak were ineligible when they played for Hongkong last year is incorrect. They were eligible and if Shanghai were "offended" because they played, it was because Shanghai did not know the true facts of the case.

NEEDS AMENDMENT

But looking at the question from the broader issues it does seem that

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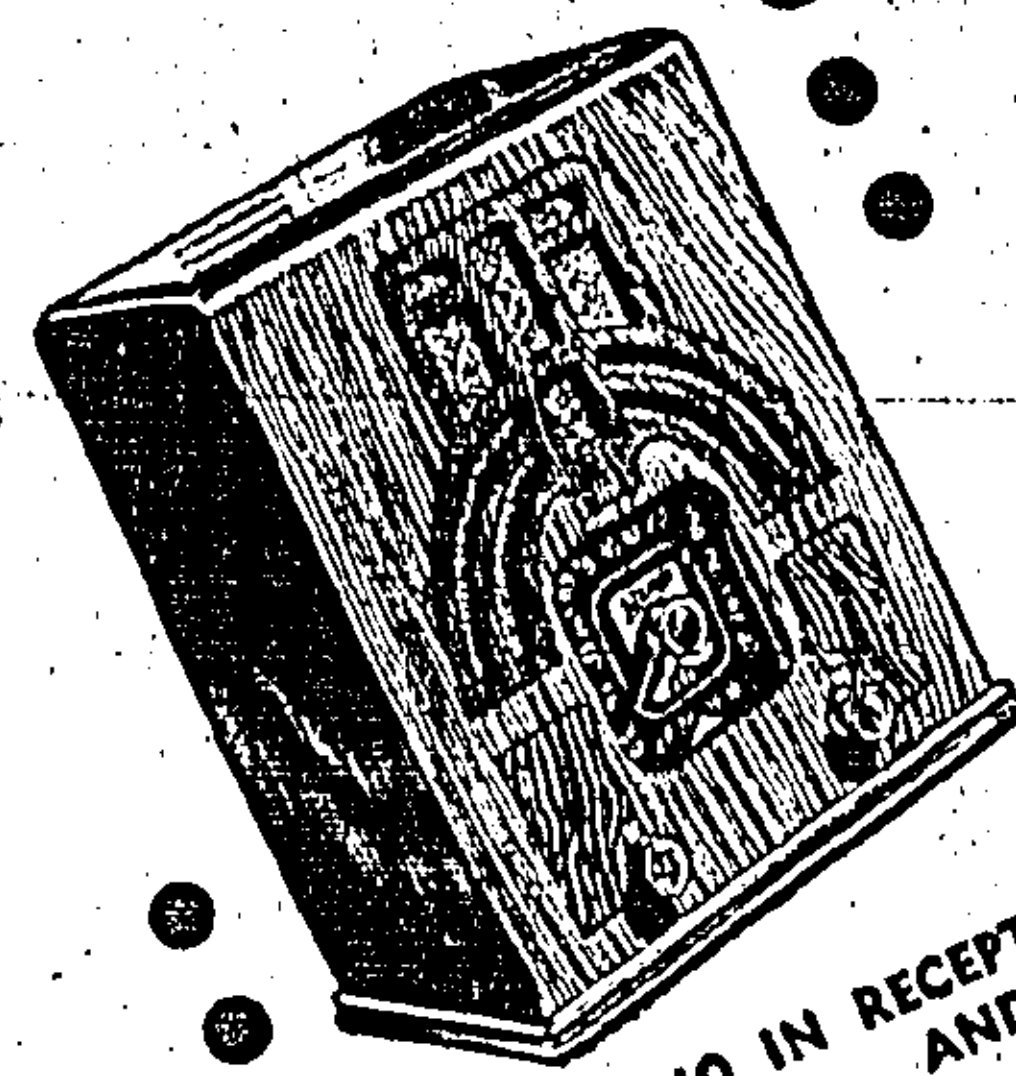
To Compete in Golf Championships

Melbourne, Jan. 8. James Ferrier, the Australian Amateur Golf Champion sailed for England to-day to compete in the British Open and Amateur Golf Championships. Ferrier has been responsible for many remarkable performances in Australia, and Australians generally are anxious to see how he fares against the pick of the British golfers.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LOCAL YACHTING

In yesterday's sweepstake race the "A" class event was won by Miss E. Walker in Lobo, the "I", "V" and "G" classes by Major B. E. C. Dixon in Eunice, and the "H" class by Miss B. M. Kirke in Ariel.

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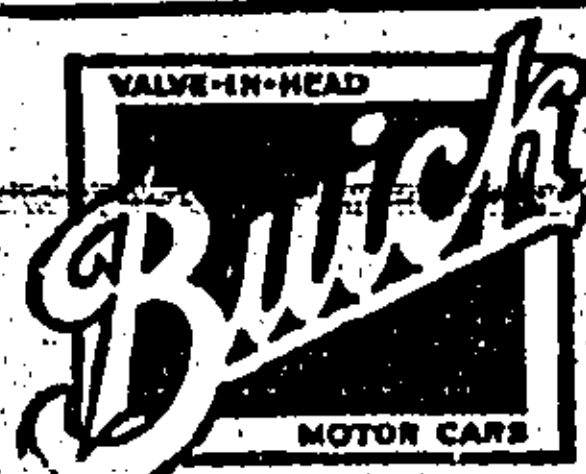
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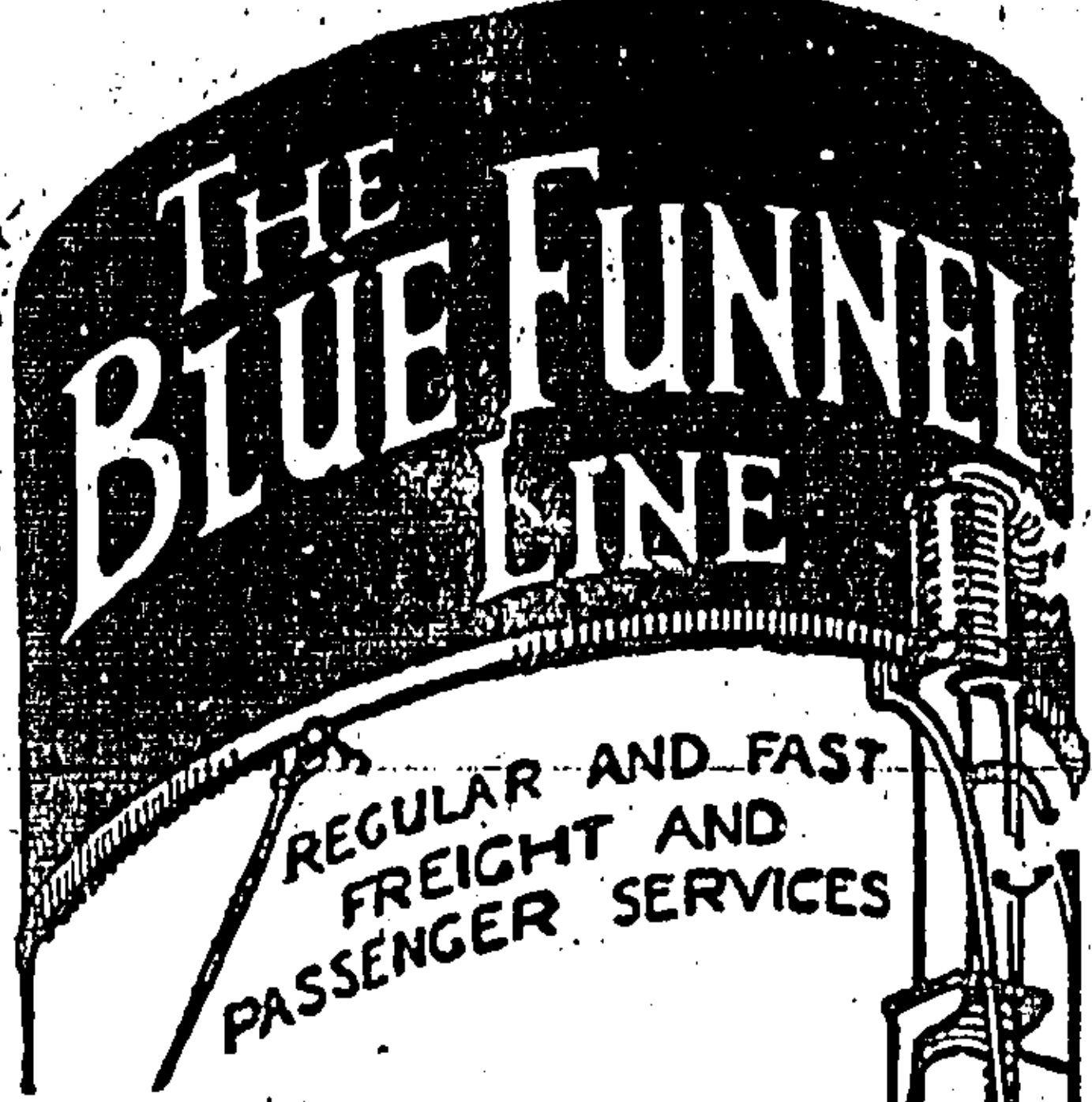
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Top That, Crash!

By Blosser





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SERIAL STORY—

BARGAIN BRIDIE

by KATHARINE HAYLAND-TAYLOR

CHAPTER XXV.

Elinor said firmly, "The most important thing is that I don't want to bother you. Not in the least!" "You won't!" Barrett answered. "Lord, how I wanted to kiss her, to say, 'Don't be afraid of me. We'll do our best to make a go of this as long as we must!'"

Instead he patted her hands. "Powder your nose," he said briskly. "and come down to lunch. I suppose it's to be a bang-up affair. The cook will want to show you just how skillful she is. And I heard Higgins ordering enough flowers for a hot-house. By the way, the bath is behind the door to the right." He turned to sweep the room with critical eyes.

"I left those shelves empty so you can fill them with the books you really want. Meantime there is a selection in my room from which you may be able to choose, something that might work, I wonder?"

He moved toward the head of the narrow, four-posted mahogany bed to pull the small chain. "Yes, it's all right," he said with satisfaction. "I was at the doorway when she halted him," Barrett said. "He wheeled, again moved toward her. 'Yes?'"

"I can't thank you enough for all this—," Her face, lifted to his, was infinitely appealing in its gratitude. "I'm awfully glad you like it," he said. "I had a suspicion (smiling) that you might be rather fed-up with Chinese red and chromium and modernistic furnishings in general."

"I was," she agreed. "I'll telephone to ask your father's—," he said, "and report to him. It's to be served at half past one if that suits you."

"Perfectly. And thank you so much for everything!" He smiled at her from the doorway leading to his room, gave her an airy salute and was gone, closing the door after him.

For a moment she stood staring at the closed door. Then once more she turned and looked at her. It was a lovely, lovely picture.

Her travelling bags had been placed in the adjoining dressing room. Elinor opened them, and, looking over her frocks, suddenly wished she had something that was very, very pretty to wear down to luncheon. She finally selected a soft tan silk frock which brought out the warmth of her hair. Celeste had said it was becoming. She must remember to tuck Celeste's handkerchief into her sleeve in order to show it to Barrett.

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Then, looking at the small clock on the mantelpiece, she hesitated. It was only one o'clock. It seemed incredible that her whole world could have changed as it had in the space of an hour. She wanted to go down but she did not want to intrude upon Barrett. Perhaps he would not wait for her to come down before she must. As she hesitated she heard a tap on the door. She opened it to find Higgins, the stolidness of the perfectly trained servant's face erased by the smile he could not suppress.

"Mr. Colvin," said the butler, had sent word that he wished to speak with Mrs. Colvin. Would she join him down stairs whenever she was ready?"

"Thank you, Higgins," Elinor said. He disappeared and after a deep breath she stepped into the upper hall. Barrett was standing at the foot of the stairs, one hand on a newel post, looking up at her.

"Look out for that treacherous step!" he called warningly. He found he could not keep his eyes from her as she came down. He had never seen her looking more beautiful.

"I've good news for you!" he announced. At his words she paused, two steps up, her face level with his. "Your father's nurse—Miss Hemmingsway, I think—answered my call and said that for the first time your father has shown real improvement."

"Oh," she whispered on a deep intake of breath. "I'm so glad!" "I wanted you to know right away because I understand what it means to you."

"It means—everything," she stated in a hush. He smiled down at her. "Suppose we go into the library," he suggested. "You haven't seen it yet, have you? Odd how old houses insist upon having libraries, isn't it? Remember the hushed, important way Miss Ella always spoke of her library?"

The girl laughed, nodding. She liked the rear room to which he led her. Its solidity spoke of all she had missed without knowing it. The room had a look of plenty and of peace. She could not imagine her mother whining for money in that room or anyone planning to deceive an old lady in order to be remembered in a will.

"I think you must have been very happy in this house," she said as she sank into a chair. "For a moment his face clouded. 'I don't suppose,' he said, 'that there are many old houses without some unhappy echoes. Let's hope that we shall not add to them.'"

The table in the stately dining room had been arranged with the best the house afforded. Higgins had seen to it that the bowl of faint pink roses in the centre of the table was a low one across which hungry, eager eyes might meet. "You're

looking beautiful!" Barrett reflected, seeing Elinor above the soft confusion of bloom. They were served a clear soup, deliciously seasoned. Higgins appeared, disappeared silently. "Your feet don't touch the floor when you're perched on that chair, do they, dearest?" Barrett asked as the butler re-entered the room.

It did this masquerading very nicely, Elinor thought. She flushed. "No, dear, they don't," she admitted. Higgins had been standing at his elbow staring at the contents of a dish he offered. "Souffle, sir," he reminded after a cough.

Barrett said, "Oh, yes, to be sure! Souffle." She had said that "dear" quite convincingly, Barrett reflected. "This is one of cook's special dishes," he went on. "We are being honoured, darling."

Higgins had never heard "the like of it." Most young married people hid such moods and tried to seem only casually interested in one another at first, hid them even from their servants. And Mr. Barrett was usually so slow to voice a feeling!

"Higgins," said Barrett, "can't you hunt up a small footstool for Mrs. Colvin? I want you to be perfectly comfortable, dear," he added across the table.

"Thank you, darling, you are so thoughtful!" she murmured. Suddenly they both laughed and then, as suddenly, sobered. In light moments it could seem a joke but for both of them, for one shaken stretch, it had been too real.

Higgins came back to raise the Venetian curtain work cloth and push a small stool in place for Elinor's feet. "Is that better, Mrs. Colvin?" he asked.

"Yes, thank you, Higgins." The butler bowed. The new mistress was going to bring spring and sunshine to the old place, he was sure. Already the house seemed changed and never had he seen a sweeter, lovelier face.

After the meal was finished Elinor and Barrett parted. She was to order Hutton to bring the car around when she was ready to go to see her father. Barrett was going to look upon Marcia for half an hour or so.

Perhaps, he suggested doubtfully, with keen eyes on her face, they could have tea together at a little after four. He spoke casually, anxious not to force upon her any more intimacy than she liked. They could talk then about several business matters that must be settled. If this did not suit he went on, they could put it off until another day.

It suited her perfectly, Elinor assured him. With quick-beating heart she saw him turn from her. "Until later then," he said. (To Be Continued)

George Bernard Shaw is another distinguished gentleman whose admiration, Bergner enjoys and it is with his express permission and wholehearted approval that plans are being formulated to star her in a film version of this great playwright's "St. Joan." The tiny star, who has been called the peer of Bernhardt and Duse, was last here in "Catherine the Great." This film, like the current "Escape Me Never," was released through United Artists.

"Midsummer Night's Dream" Max Reinhardt's super production of Shakespeare's comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," opening with a gala premiere on Friday at 9 p.m. at the Queen's Theatre, with one of the biggest and most talented casts of Warner Bros. ever to appear in a single picture. Reinhardt, long acknowledged to be Europe's greatest stage producer, consented to present his spectacle in film form after it had met with tremendous success at the Hollywood Bowl and San Francisco. It is said to be the ultimate in spectacular grandeur, while at the same time, its comedy and romance are as hilarious and human as the mortal race. James Cagney heads the all star cast with Joe E. Brown, Hugues Herbert, Frank McHugh, Harry Dean, Dewey Robinson and Arthur Treacher, playing the Duke of Athens on the occasion of his wedding to the Queen of Amazons. The leading romantic roles are played by Dick Powell, arranged by the house, and Olivia de Havilland, whose mixed love affairs lead to some strange pranks by the elf of mischief, Puck, portrayed by Mickey Rooney. Others include Victor Jory, Terence Tansdale, Anita Louise, Ian Hunter, Robert Cavanagh, and Grant Mitchell. Scores of beautiful dancing girls take part in the fairy spectacle, the dances being created and directed by the two famous European ballerinas, Bronislava Nijinska and Nina Theald. The spectacle is set to the beautiful music by Dik Powell, arranged by the noted Viennese composer, Erich Wolfgang Korngold. The play was arranged by Charles Kenyon and Mary McCall, Jr., and directed by Max Reinhardt in association with William Dieterle.

"Manhattan Tower" "Manhattan Tower," which closes to-day at the Queen's Theatre, is the last word in pictures. It's as timely as the alarm clock. Fast as ticker-tape and modern as the giant skyscraper it pictures. You'll like the sincere performances of Mary Brian, Irene Rich and Hale Hamilton, and some hearts will flutter at seeing James Hill back on the screen. Briefly, the story concerns a group of inter-related people who

"Escape Me Never" The delightful friendship that exists between Elizabeth Bergner, star of "Escape Me Never," now at the King's Theatre, and Sir James McBarrie, illustrious playwright and creator of the immortal "Peter Pan" is not at all surprising. For there is a sort of elfin quality about the genius of the actress and that of the author. So the results of a dramatic alliance between the two are eagerly anticipated by those aware of the fact that Barrie is at present engaged upon a play which he is writing especially for Bergner.

"Star of Midnight" Something entirely new in love stories is said to be brought to the screen by William Powell and Ginger Rogers in "Star of Midnight." It's a Radio picture woven around New York's society and night life. Romance in this modern, drama follows no charted course, young society beauty, takes the aggressive, and it's hard to tell whether Powell is a willing victim, or an apprehen-

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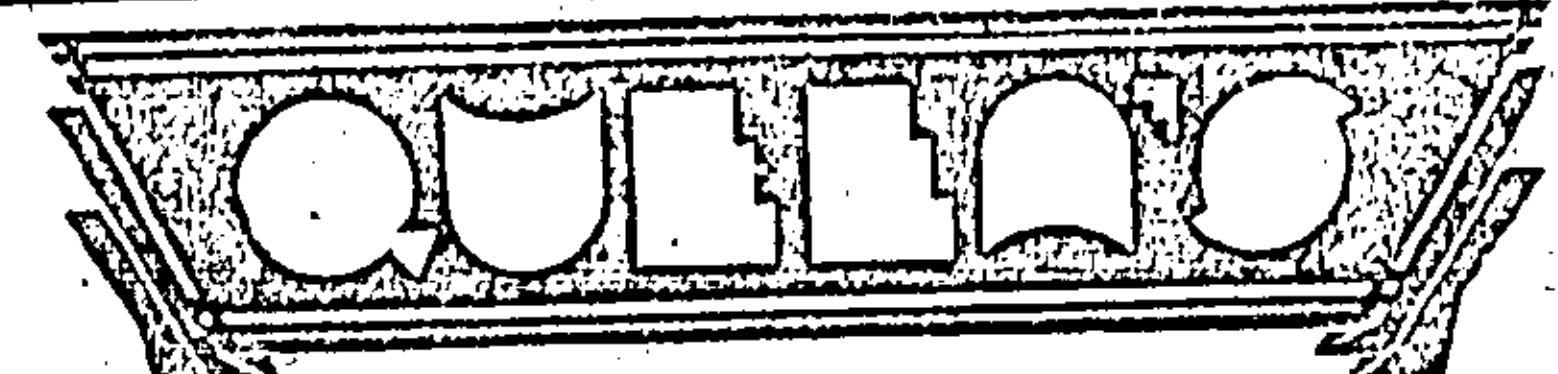
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ROBBERY CHARGE

NURSE COMPLIMENTED BY MAGISTRATE

On charges of having possession or control of a revolver and committing a robbery at Boundary Street on November 6 last, Tsang Sang, alias Tsang Fong-sang, 28, unemployed, was committed to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon.

Detective Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham appeared for the prosecution and in outlining the case stated that the complainant in the robbery charge was Miss Susie Tam, a lady inspector of the Society for the Protection of Children, residing at No. 155-Prince Edward Road.

On November 6 about 4 p.m. the complainant left her office at No. 12 Sai Yung Choi Street, on her way to the Old Kowloon Tong Village. She had sent her fook, Chan Kuen, ahead of her and instructed him to meet her at Boundary Street near the polo ground. She took a No. 2 bus and alighted at the corner of Boundary Street and met Chan Kuen according to arrangement, and she told him to go on ahead.

"Don't be Afraid"
Complainant followed behind her fook along Boundary Street, and when she got near the Fernandez Gardens her attention was attracted by a man who was behind her. She heard one of the men say, "Go up closer to her, don't be afraid." On turning her head complainant was ordered by one of the men not to move, while the other man pulled out a revolver.

Complainant was holding a handbag at the time, but she dropped it to the ground and fled. She picked it up and both of them walked off. Complainant then ran across the fields to Prince Edward Road, where she met Traffic-Sergeant Paton and told him of what had happened. He thereupon took her to the Police Training School and an Emergency Squad was turned out. Sergeant Paton then took complainant to the Mongkok Police Station and after to the Shamshuipo Police Station where a report was made.

On the following day Detective Sergeant Goodwin found the handbag on a hillside, and on the evening of the robbery Sergeant Spinks found a bundle of papers and a bus ticket bearing the name "Miss Tam."

Among the contents of the bag were a fountain pen, a purse containing \$150, a powder box bearing the name Susie, and a nursing dictionary bearing the name S. Tam. These were not recovered.

Defendant Arraigned
On December 18 Sub-Inspector Cunningham, accompanied by a party of detectives, went to the Kowloon Chien tenhouse in Shanghai Street near Argyle Street. Whilst Sub-Inspector Cunningham waited in Argyle Street the detectives went into the tenhouse and arrested the defendant. He was taken to the police station and later took the police to No. 5 Tung On Street, third floor.

Defendant produced a key which opened the rear cubicle, and two other keys which opened a rattle basket, and in this basket was found an unloaded revolver. No ammunition was found.

At an identification parade held by Mr. G. S. Wilson, A.S.P., Kowloon, at the Yaumatei Police Station on December 20, the defendant was identified by the complainant.

Complainant spoke in English and in relating the incident described the robbers as a short man and a tall man. The latter threatened her with the revolver. When the men began to walk away witness called out to her fook, "Ah Kuen, I have been robbed!" The tall man then pointed the revolver at some people around, and there was a group of students and some women stone-breakers nearby, and ordered them not to move.

"Let Us Follow Them"
When Ah Kuen came up," continued witness, "I said, 'Let us follow them; they may have nothing in the pistol.' We started to do so, but then I heard a shot and saw smoke come out of the pistol. I was frightened so I turned and ran across the field to Prince Edward Road, where I met a European traffic officer (Paton) to whom I made a report."

Witness went on to say that she picked out defendant at the identification parade because his back appeared to be that of the short man. Witness was not sure of his face.

Asked whether he had any questions to put to witness, defendant said, "It is false. I didn't do it. It's a case of mistaken identity."

When witness had concluded her evidence his Worship said, "Thank you Miss Tam, you have given your evidence very well. I think you are a very plucky girl."

Sergeant J. E. Scott, Police Armourer, testified that the revolver produced in court was a .38 short five-chamber Harrington and Richard revolver of American manufacture. In the barrel there was carbon residue about a month old. There was no evidence of a manufacturer's number on it. It was rusty but capable of being fired.

Electing to give evidence defendant alleged that he was assaulted by the police and forced to admit that he was connected with the robbery and to give evidence.

Further evidence was heard and defendant was committed to stand trial on both charges.

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An official enquiry into the loss of the flying boat City of Khartoum is to be opened forthwith. Captain Mansell, Chief Inspector of Civil Aircraft, who has been appointed by the Secretary for Air to investigate the accident, is now at Alexandria, will examine the wreckage and collect such evidence as may be available.—British Wireless.

EXTRADITION CASE

EX-COLONEL SOUGHT BY NANKING

Further evidence of identity of the fugitive was given by Ching Yick-chun, a native of Anhui, at the continued hearing of the extradition proceedings against Yu Lap-ful, alias Li Chi-on, alias Li Shok-yu, aged 47 years, who is being sought by the Nanking Government on a charge of conspiracy to murder Wang Ching-wei at Nanking.

The case was heard before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon. Mr. E. I. Strellett is conducting the case for the Crown and Mr. P. H. Sin is representing the fugitive.

Ching Yick-chun said that he arrived in Hongkong from Nanking on November 19, but he ordinarily lives in Shanghai. He had known the fugitive as Yu Lap-ful, also as Li Chi-on and also as Li Shun, but he never knew him as Li Shok-yu. He got to know the fugitive four years ago when he first met him in Shanghai. The fugitive was introduced to him as Yu Lap-ful and was a military officer—a colonel of a regiment.

He did not meet the fugitive frequently in Shanghai. Witness said he first came to Hongkong in June 1934 and stayed for about three months, during which period he met the fugitive at No. 210 Hennessy Road. The fugitive lived on the third floor of No. 10 Wing Hing Street.

He had heard the fugitive called by the name of Li Chi-on since the summer of 1934 when he was in Hongkong, and also had seen the name used in correspondence between the fugitive and others. The name Yu Lap-ful was only used by the fugitive's acquaintances. He knew the fugitive's wife. He left Hongkong in September and returned again in January 12, last year, when he stayed on till May 10. He frequently saw the fugitive during this period. On November 21, some Police officers saw him at the Luk Kwok Hotel and asked him for a description of the fugitive, and on another day he saw the fugitive in a house near the Lee Theatre.

In cross-examination by Mr. Sin, witness said he was a military officer but was not attached to the Bureau of Public Safety in Shanghai, nor had he connection with any Bureau of Public Safety.

An Interruption
At this stage there was an interruption from the back of the Court and a voice was heard to make a remark in the Northern dialect that witness was speaking against his conscience. A woman was pointed out by a detective as the person who had spoken, and Mr. Schofield ordered her out of the Court.

Continuing his evidence under cross-examination, witness said he was not attached to any Bureau of Public Safety in Shanghai, but was formerly a military officer, although he had held no office for several years past. He knew the fugitive well. The fugitive belonged to the 19th Route Army. Witness said he had come to Hongkong to try and look for a job. The Southern Government was also looking for a job.

In Hongkong All the Time
In June 1934 he knew the fugitive had been in Hongkong for two years residing with his wife and children, and had been in Hongkong ever since. When he (witness) returned to Hongkong in January last, it was for the purpose of looking for a job, and to interview retired army commanders in Hongkong in that connection. His visit was not in connection with the investigation of the attempted assassination of a very high minister. There was such an attempted assassination in Shanghai but he was not connected with it. His hotel expenses in Hongkong were not paid by the Chinese Government.

Witness further stated that the fugitive had mentioned nothing to him in conversations about being disincriminated to go to the Nanking Government. Neither did the fugitive tell him that he would rather work in the Southern Government. But it was obvious to him that the fugitive was trying to get a job in the Southern Government. The fugitive did not mention to him that his reason for not going to the North was because he had several enemies there. He (witness) was a friend of the fugitive's and knew him to be an upright man, but he did not know what he had done.

Imprisoned Himself

He first heard the fugitive was implicated in the present charge on November 17 last when he (witness) was in Nanking. He was not surprised to hear of it. He heard of it when he was in Nanking. He wanted to arrest someone and wanted him to identify the person. No reward was offered at all for the arrest. He did not know of the attempted murder of Wang Ching-wei until November 17, as he was, in fact, in prison at Nanking at the time. On November 17 he read of the attempted murder in the papers, but the fugitive's name was not mentioned that day and was told of the matter of the fugitive by the Government, although he did not know why he was told of it. He did not volunteer to give information of knowing the fugitive. It was not true that he had obtained his release from gaol on condition that he would come to Hongkong to look for the fugitive.

Further cross-examination, witness said he was not representing the Nanking Government in Hongkong. The very same day he knew of the attempted murder he took a boat and came to Hongkong with two others. Though he was now a free man he did not know whether he would be required for trial in Nanking or not. He could not say whether his present services would entitle him to a pardon when he got back to Nanking, but he would expect a pardon.

Mr. Sin: Immediately on your arrival here you gave a description of

AUTONOMOUS AREA

DOIHARA'S WARNING TO SUNG CHEH-YUAN

Changchun, Jan. 8. Unless General Chieh-yuan adjusts himself to the position taken by Mr. Yin Yu-keng in consolidating the East Hopei Anti-Communist Autonomous Government, the differences between them can hardly be compromised. Major-General Kenji Doihara declared to newspaper representatives this afternoon.

General Doihara has just concluded a conference with Kwangtung Army leaders, and reported on recent developments in North China. He pointed out that the East Hopei Anti-Communist Autonomous Government has declared complete separation from the Nanking Government, but General Sung has organized the Hopei-Chiahar Political Council in accordance with orders from Nanking.—Union News.

Tanku Occupation Denied

Tientsin, Jan. 8. Rumours of the Japanese occupation of Tanku are untrue. Japanese military headquarters declare that the situation is normal, and the confusion probably arose owing to the despatch of a few men to Tanku to investigate the interference with their shops alleged to be Korean and flying the Japanese flag.—Reuter.

Joint Policing

Shanghai, Jan. 8. Reliable Chinese sources today declare that the new North China political council and Japanese military officials have tentatively agreed to a joint policing of the disputed Chahar territory.

It was reported that the agreement provided that the 200 Mongolian Police Preservation troops and 150 Chinese would jointly police each disputed Chahar county.

Chinese magistrates will be retained.

The reports came from a Chinese news agency, which declared that a Sino-Japanese agreement with respect to eastern Hopei and Chahar had been reached, but that details would not be divulged, pending the return from Nanking of Major-General Kenji Doihara, chief spokesman for the Japanese military in North China.

Other sources also said that everything awaited the return of General Doihara.—Union News.

No Conference At Present

Shanghai, Jan. 8. A conference at Nanking to adjust Sino-Japanese relations, as proposed by the Nanking Government to the Japanese Government, through the charge d'affaires of the Chinese Embassy at Tokyo, Mr. C. K. Ting, who yesterday saw Foreign Vice-Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu, is regarded by the Japanese Embassy authorities here as premature.

The Japanese were discussed last week by Arizoshi and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Nanking. In response to Marshal Chiang's suggestion that a conference be held, the Ambassador replied that he shared the wish of the Generalissimo to smooth out Sino-Japan diplomatic relations but he thought it useless to open a conference as long as the Chinese failed to suppress the anti-Japanese agitation among students and vacillated over the problem of autonomy in North China.

The authorities of the Japanese Embassy apparently perfectly willing to have such a conference as soon as it is evident that China is prepared for it, but such evidence is lacking at present.—Union News.

CONGRESSMAN DRUNK

CONVICTED FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Washington, Jan. 8. Representative Marion A. Zionschek was today convicted of being drunk and disorderly. He was released, however, pending his request for a new trial.—United Press.

Representative Zionschek tabled a resolution in the House on Tuesday for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the Old Age Pensions organizations, "rackets and schemes."

The alleged fugitive to the police? Witness: I did not give information to the police another man did. I gave the description of another man, but I don't like to give his name.

The Magistrate: We do not want it. Chan Sang, goldsmith, living at 26 Luk Sau Street, first floor, deposed that he acted as interpreter in Mandarin at the Luk Kwok Hotel and at an address in Sharp Street on the evening of November 21.

Police Search
Acting Sub-Inspector W. E. Meadows testified that on November 23 by virtue of a warrant under the Police Force Ordinance he made a search on the first floor of 7, Sharp Street, and found two photographs, apparently being those of the alleged fugitive, and other documents. He could not say definitely who occupied the room, but he understood one of the women occupants to say that a man named Li Chi-on occupied one of the front rooms.

Mr. Strellett: That is all the evidence the prosecution is tendering with regard to the identity of the accused.

On being charged the fugitive denied that his name was Li Chi-on. Mr. Sin: The fugitive was arrested on November 21. He has been in gaol for 48 days and the prosecution has produced no evidence in support of a very serious charge against him.

His Worship: There is plenty of time yet. Quite a lot of evidence has been produced as to identity of the man. In a previous case the Government was given three months in which to produce evidence. The alleged fugitive was remanded in gaol for another week.

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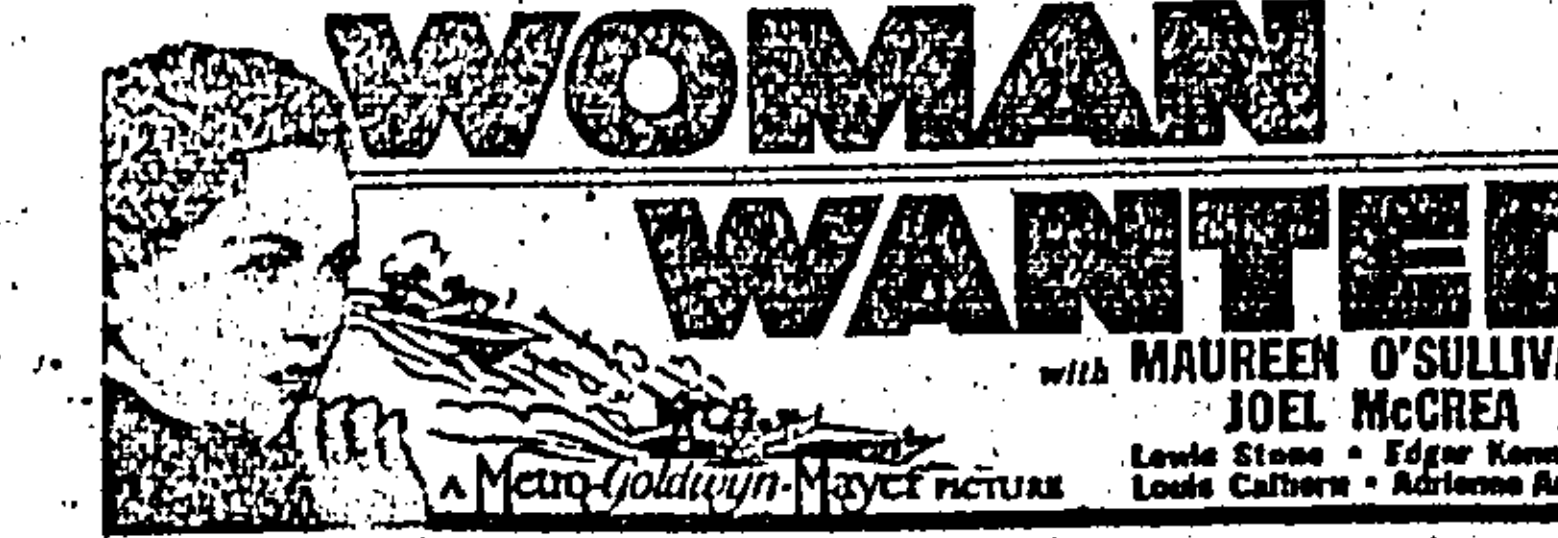
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ranks to wear blue patrol uniform while out of barracks or on
leave.

This new uniform consists of smart dark blue serge trousers
and high-collared tunic with brass buttons.
A dark blue cap of the Air Force type will be worn, with
the badge of the regiment on it.

It is stated in certain quarters that this is the first step
towards a return to the old "walking out" uniform of pre-war
days.

Since then soldiers have worn either civilian clothes, or
khaki with puttees and heavy Army boots.

It is believed that this move will help the large-scale
recruiting drive for the Territorial Army which opens in the
New Year.

TRANS-OCEAN ZEPPELIN SERVICE PLANNED FOR NEAR FUTURE

Buenos Aires, Jan. 3.
CAPTAIN HANS VON SCHILLER, commander of the Graf
Zeppelin, believes that the not-too-distant future will see
fast Zeppelin service for passengers across the oceans of the
world firmly established.

Captain von Schiller, during a recent visit here, revealed a
new airship as being constructed to be put into service with the
Graf Zeppelin over the South Atlantic ocean. First trial flights
of the new airship have been set for this month.

If the trials are satisfactory,
he said, other Zeppelins design-
ed to carry both mail and pas-
sengers, will be constructed and
service extended to the North
Atlantic ocean.

The commander likened the
predicted growth of airship trans-
portation to that of the airplane.

He said it is necessary to op-
erate several airships in regu-
lar service to achieve commercial
success but that this development
would come within a few years.
He does not believe the airship
will oust the airplane as an ac-
cepted means of air travel, but
that the one is the natural com-
plement of the other.

The new Zeppelin, the com-
mander said, will be a luxury liner,
with smoking room, bar, dance
salon and accommodation for 50
passengers. It is planned to operate
the ship from Europe to South
America, linking up with the air-
plane services of both continents.

2,500 Metre "Ceiling"
The "ceiling" of the Graf Zeppelin
and of the Zeppelin under
construction is around 2,500 met-
res, Captain von Schiller said.
He does not believe airships will
travel in the stratosphere in the
future because "height costs
money, and planes and airships
must be operated as economically
as possible."

He said that stratospheric
height would enable airships to
travel at only fractionally higher
speeds not commensurate with the
increased cost of operation.

The Graf Zeppelin, as presently
operated, is not a commercial pro-
position, Captain von Schiller
said. The craft originally was
built for experimental purposes,
and it was not at first intended to
carry passengers.

Graf's Performances
The commander had on hand a
few statistics concerning the
Graf's performances:

From 1928, when it made its
first flight, to January 1, 1935,
approximately 1,000 trans-Atlantic
passengers had been carried in the
Graf across the South Atlantic
between Europe and South Ameri-
ca.

During that period, the ship had
been flown 1,000,000 kilometres,
made 500 flights and carried 9,000
passengers on trans-Atlantic and
shorter flights, without accident.

During 1935 the ship flew an-
other 360,000 kilometres.

War-time Air Raider
The commander, who partici-
pated in 20 air raids over Great
Britain during the World War,
said the Zeppelin never again will
be a serious menace during war.
The greatest value of the ships
during the World War, he pointed
out, was psychological, and al-
so forced Great Britain to hold in
reserve at home artillery, ammu-
nition and men who otherwise might
have been sent to the various
fronts.

"I much prefer to visit Eng-
land now with the Graf Zeppelin
as my conveyance," Cap-
tain von Schiller said. "I find
the reception so much nicer
now than in war time."
United Press.

NAPOLÉON'S SON MAY RETURN TO FRANCE

KING OF ROME

RUMOURS that the em-
balméd body of the
"Eaglet," son of Napoleon
I., will be transferred from
the Capuchin Catacombs,
the burial-place of the
Hapsburgs, to the Dome of
invalides in Paris, where his
father is resting, have been
revived by Austrian and
French newspapers.

It is believed that the Archduke
Otto of Habsburgs, the head of
the former Imperial dynasty, is
inclined to give his consent to the
"homecoming" of the Eaglet in
order to win French public opinion
for his plan in connection with
Austrian restoration.

The request of the Bonapartists
that the body of the Eaglet should
be returned, was refused in 1932
by the Republican Government of
Austria, which regarded the burial
place of the former rulers of the
Austrian Empire as a national
museum.

It is probable that the present
government, which has strong mon-
archical leanings, will raise no
objection, and that the heads of
the two dethroned dynasties, Prince
Bonaparte and Archduke Otto, will
soon be able to exchange courtesies
over the matter.

HEIR TO EMPIRE

The Eaglet was once the symbol
of the enmity between the two
dynasties. He was born as the
"King of Rome" in Paris, as heir
to the Napoleonic Empire, and died
as the "Duke of Reichstadt" at the
age of 21 in the Vienna castle of
Schoenbrunn, where he was kept in
strict seclusion by his grand-
father, the Austrian Emperor
Francis, and his Chancellor,
Prince Metternich.

In the same castle of Schoen-
brunn, 23 years before the death
of the Eaglet, Napoleon I. had
taken up his headquarters as a
conqueror. There he forced the
proud Habsburg Emperor to re-
cognise the new map of Europe,
and to consent to his marriage
with his daughter, Marie Louise,
Archduchess of Austria.

After the fall of Napoleon, his
son was taken to Austria, where
he was deprived of everything that
might remind him of his father.
He was given the new title of Duke
of Reichstadt, and was guarded
day and night because of the plans
of the Bonapartists to kidnap or
rather free him.

He died of consumption, accord-
ing to the official version. It was
rumoured, however, that the young
prince was poisoned by Metternich,
in order to put an end to the
plotting of the Bonapartists.

125TH ANNIVERSARY

The Eaglet had certainly little
chance to do anything heroic during
his short life. Nevertheless, he
was made a national hero by the
Bonapartists.
The 125th anniversary of his
birth will be celebrated in France
this year.

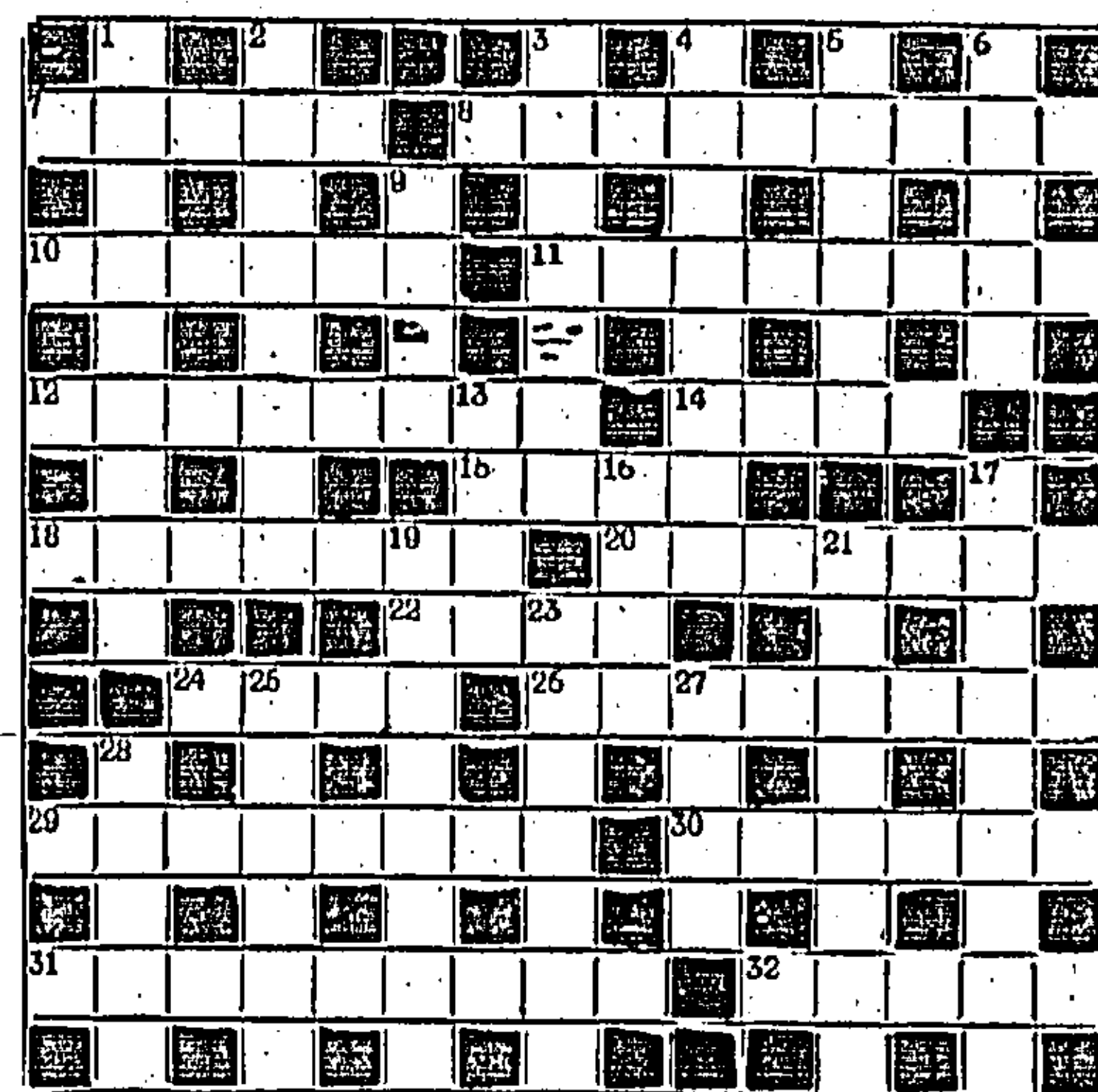
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20 Saves.
22 This John used to hold liquor
cell.
24 Teach quickly.
25 It urges on.
26 Seek whence to throw light on
that which follows.
30 Family of Jack and his wife?
31 Figures that make brutes coo.
(Two words, 4-6.)
32 Polifant programme unit.
- Down
- 1 Neither here nor there.
2 These are metallic small holders
(3 hyphen 5).
3 Reptiles.
4 Lion dog.
5 "Papa in?" Here's medicine for
him. (Anag.)
6 A good deal in laziness.
9 Object of worship.
13 This should be well slipped.
- 16 Describes a rose, but not a pro-
per rose.
17 Of consequence.
19 London suburb or Alberta town;
21 A diver goes under to this ex-
tent.
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Diets For Film Stars

MAE WEST PREFERS STEAK & ONIONS

New York, Dec. 30.
Once a fortnight Hollywood stars have their "beauty day"—
at least those stars under the care of Dr. Benjamin Hauser, who
tells so many screen actresses what they may and may not eat.

Dr. Hauser, who has arrived in
New York on his way to Europe,
describes his beauty day as "one of
complete rest, not only for the body
and mind, but also for the tumblers
of my illustrious patients. I
prescribe no solid foods—only fresh
vegetable juices."

While disclaiming any ability to
work wonders, Hollywood's "nutri-
tion" says he often lectures to
"lovely stars and advises them on
the subject 'Eat and grow beauti-
ful.'"

ALICE FAYE'S MENU
Here is the menu ordered for Alice
Faye, who, the doctor reports, is now
looking "just lovely":

Breakfast: Fruit Juice.
10 a.m.: Glass of Buttermilk.
Luncheon: Avocado (pear) Salad;
Tomato; Tea with Lemon.
4 p.m.: Tomato Juice.
Dinner: Vegetable Soup (called by
the doctor potassium broth); Broiled
Chop; Salad; Fresh Fruit with
Cream.

Dr. Hauser finds Mae West, "a
handful." He says: "She likes
steak and onions, and shrimp cock-
tails—what I call an old-fashioned
diet—but I persuade her to have
occasional beauty days."

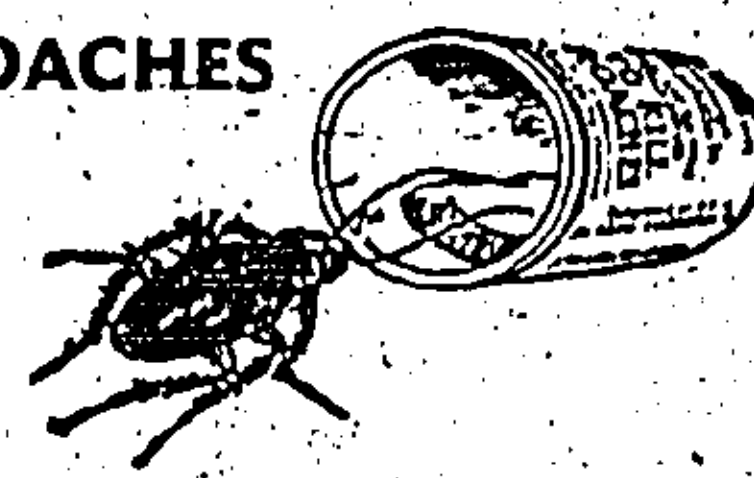
When Dr. Hauser observed Greta
Garbo in a restaurant, eating some
"meaty dumpling stuff," he shook his
head sadly and "sighs home very
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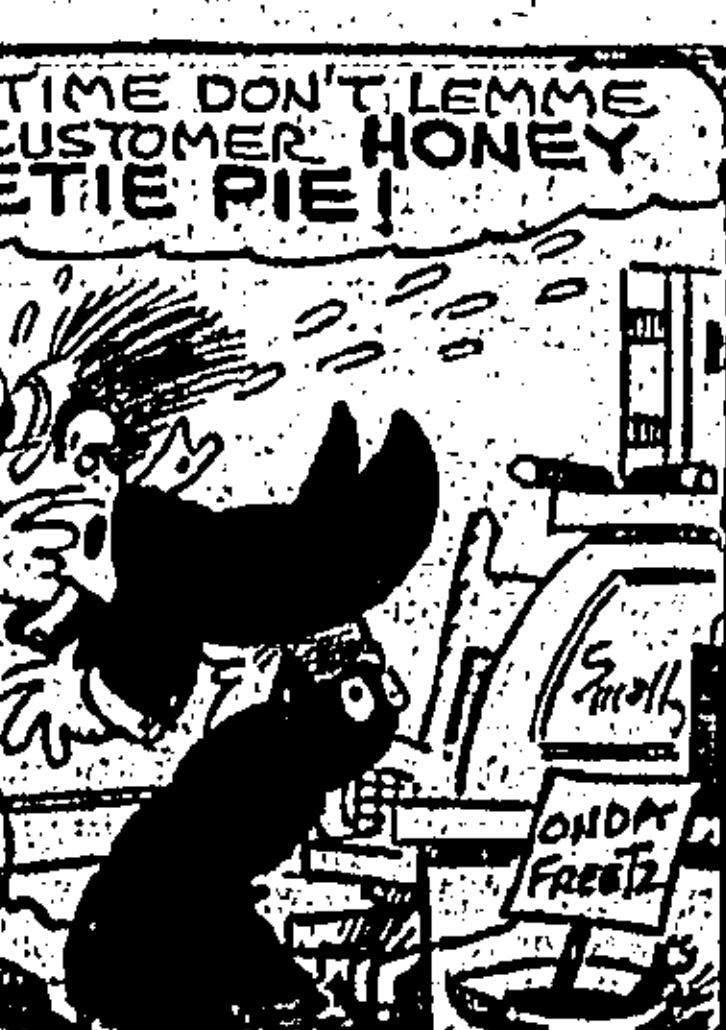
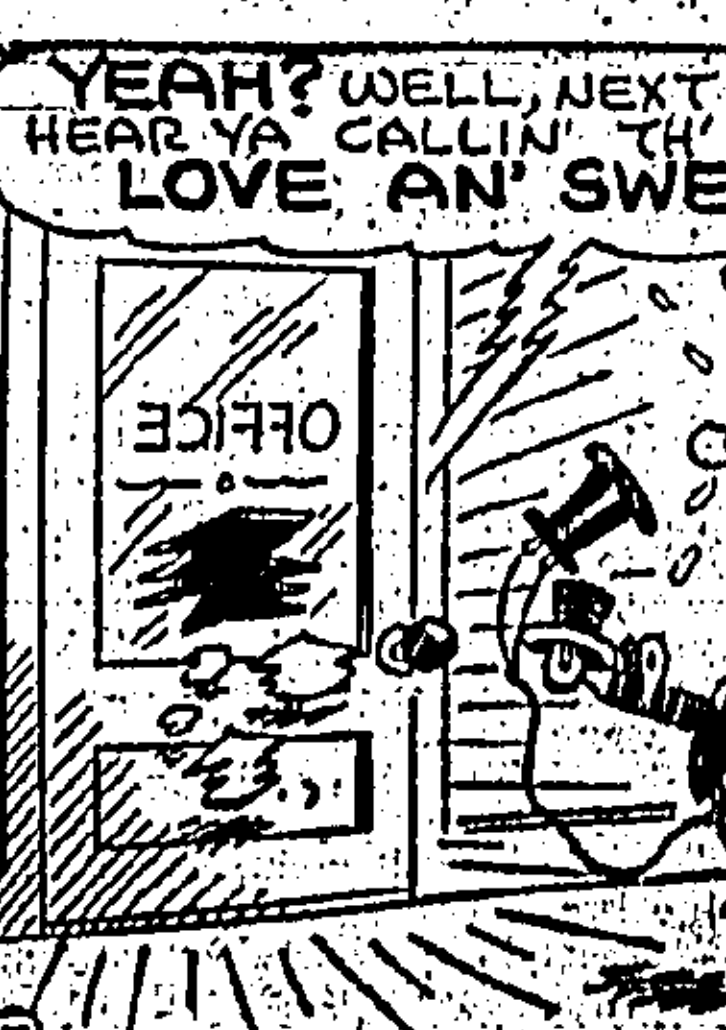
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GUNS OR ARMOUR AS CHOICE

A new and unexpected complication has arisen in big battleship design.

British experts now state that recent developments in weapons of offence make it impossible to design an efficient battleship armed with 16in. guns on a tonnage of 35,000—the largest tonnage permitted by the Washington Naval Treaty of 1922.

Ships of this size are at present being built by Italy and planned by France.

British experts state that a battleship mounting 16in. guns cannot today be designed without sacrificing one of the essential requirements of a battleship—an adequate number of guns in order to produce volume of fire and facilitate control; sufficient protection to enable the ship to withstand the most powerful armaments likely to be encountered; and adequate steaming qualities.

Gun Now Superior

The remarkable advances which have taken place in recent years in guns, shells, bombs, torpedoes, and mines are responsible for the fact that a combination of tonnage and armament which was thought feasible in 1922 (and actually allowed a margin in the construction of the Nelson and Rodney five years later) is now considered impracticable.

Ever since the coming of the ironclad the history of naval development has been concerned with the incessant battle between the shell and the armour. Now, the perfection of the 16-inch gun and the greatly improved design of armour piercing shell has placed the gun in a position of definite superiority over armour protection as at present fitted.

The development of aircraft, too, has played a great part. To-day, in order to be adequately protected, a ship must carry deck armour of far greater thickness than was necessary a few years ago. Moreover, the development of aircraft demands that ships shall be fitted with the very latest forms of anti-aircraft guns. These guns are heavy and require a large supply of ammunition.

Below water, too, the capital ship of to-day has to be better protected than formerly. Not only are torpedoes larger and more powerful, but mines also have increased in both size and efficiency.

The combination of these circumstances demands a weight of protection which can no longer be included in the design of a ship built to a tonnage of even 35,000 tons without the sacrifice of some other quality.

Britain's Proposal

This is a development of the very greatest importance in view of the Naval Conference which is to assemble in London next week. Time and again the British Government have pressed for the reduction of the calibre of the guns carried by warships, either to 11in. or to 12in. There is still little prospect of agreement being reached on so drastic a limitation, but it is thought in naval circles that the difficulties of designing adequate protection may lead to an agreement embodying some reduction in the maximum calibre of guns. A reduction of the calibre of the guns forming the main armament of capital ships to 14in. is considered probable in many quarters.

Prince Of Wales' Jubilee

COLOURFUL CEREMONIES AT CARNARVON CASTLE

THE Prince of Wales will soon receive the provisional plans for celebrating his silver jubilee next year—the twenty-fifth anniversary of his investiture at Carnarvon Castle.

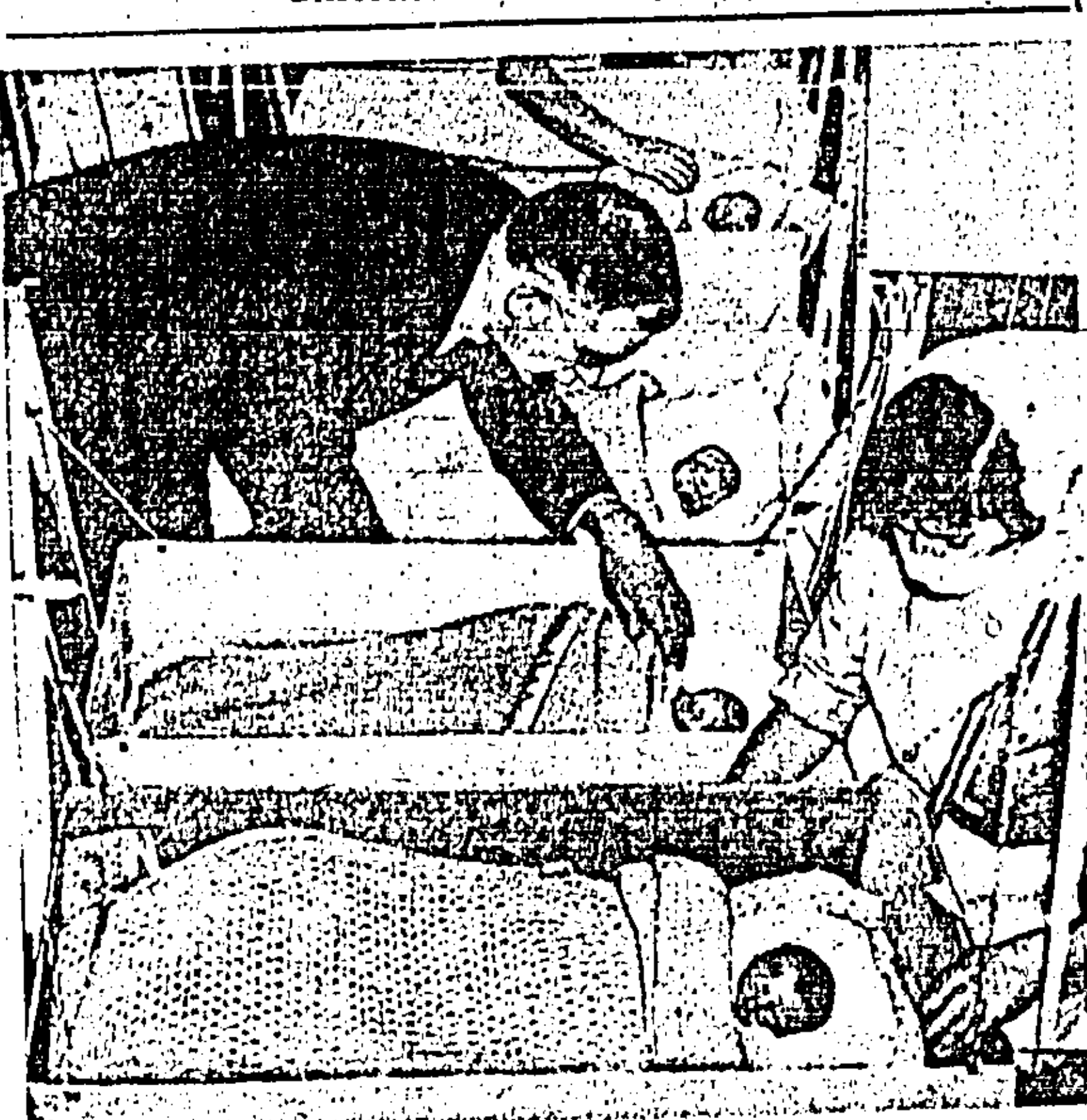
He has already approved in principle a colourful ceremonial at the castle where, as a youth of seventeen, he appeared for the first time before thousands of cheering Welshmen as their Prince.

CHESTER'S CLAIM

Heralds in their picturesque medieval uniforms will again receive him with a fanfare of trumpets from the battlements, but there is a strong feeling that celebrations should not be confined to Wales.

Chester, from which the Prince takes his second title, will invite

BRITAIN'S NEW "QUADS"



Mrs. Miles, the wife of Mr. W. Miles, a lorry driver, gave birth to quadruplets at St. Neot's on November 23. They were a girl and three boys. Their weights ranged from 3 lb. 12½ oz. to 2 lb. 13 oz. Sterilised human milk was flown from London for them. At the time of writing, mother and babies were doing well.

LAUREL MAY MAKE FILMS IN ENGLAND

Hollywood, Dec. 31.

STAN LAUREL, of the famous duo Laurel and Hardy, may shortly retire from the screen as an actor, and turn producer.

He may even go to England; his native land, to make films.

He and his screen pal "babe" are true till death, but Stan is in revolt against the film stories Hal Roach keeps picking for them. He says Laurel and Hardy cannot survive many more.

Currently they are working on "Bohemian Girl," but the story has nothing to do with the famous

opera piece... except that it happens to be in a gipsy camp.

Next Mr. Roach wants Stan to appear with Hardy in "The Chimes of Normandy"... but Stan muttered ominously.

"If he wants to make 'The Chimes of Normandy,' let him do it, but not with us. We don't belong in such stories."

"I don't want to part from Hardy," said Stan, "but we cannot go on making stories like these. If Mr. Roach wants to make 'Bohemian Girl,' why not make it? It isn't Laurel and Hardy stuff, that's all."

That's all.

INTENTIONS ARE GOOD BUT...

Average temperature in the plains of Ethiopia is round about 110deg. in the shade. But...

Kind-hearted women—all over the world are still knitting woolly sweaters for the poor Ethiopians.

So Rear-Admiral Cary Grayson, chairman of the American Red Cross, said recently.

NEW C. IN. C



Marshal Badoglio, who succeeds General De Bono as Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Forces in East Africa.

No One Need Work

WHEN SCIENCE CAN TAME COSMIC RAYS

Chicago, Dec. 30.

Electric currents ranging from 100 million to 100,000 million volts are possible if the elusive Cosmic Ray can be captured and tamed, Professor A. H. Compton, world-famed University of Chicago physicist and Nobel Prize winner, said to-day.

So important has Cosmic Ray research become, Compton said in an exclusive interview with the United Press, that present knowledge of its mysterious qualities and power has upset almost all of the theories regarding electro-dynamics.

Even the famed Einstein Theory of Relativity will have to be amended as a result of the Cosmic Ray implications, Compton said, scientists now believed.

Compton cited the voltage of several other familiar phenomena to illustrate the power of the Cosmic Ray. Light rays, he said, generate only two volts, ordinary heat one volt, ultra-violet rays four or five volts, X-rays 10,000 to 100,000 volts and radium rays, hitherto believed to be the most powerful, 1,000,000 to 10,000,000 volts.

"Cosmic Rays originated at the time of the original explosion in space which created the universe as we know it now," Compton said. "That is the theory now held for want of a better explanation of their origin, yet through the eons of time Cosmic Rays have wandered in space, their power diminishing but little."

Cosmic Ray research has not solved the secret of their composition, Compton said.

Although Cosmic Rays have been photographed, and the plates have been of some help in determining the ray content, Compton said, scientists are endeavouring to

perfect a camera to portray it adequately.

Biologists are deeply interested in the Cosmic Ray to discover its effect on life, Compton said.

"Darwin's Theory of Evolution held that life was generated by 'spontaneous variation.' The belief now is held that life was not spontaneous, but may have been slowly generated by factors, one of which might have been the Cosmic Ray. Scientists feel that it is probable that the Cosmic Ray played a great part in influencing the development and characteristics of life."

"It can readily be understood what effect exposure to Cosmic Rays would have on the forms of plant and animal life over hundreds of thousands of years. A combination of rays, in which the Cosmic Ray may have been one, might have been the factor which gave matter its original animation."—United Press.

Know Queen Victoria's Mother

OLDEST ROYAL SERVANT DIES IN LONDON

WILLIAM BARKER, aged 91, for many years the oldest Royal servant and a link with Queen Victoria's mother, died in London last month.

Eighteen months ago he was visited and congratulated by the King and Queen on his 90th birthday.

He had the distinction of living at Windsor Castle for nearly a century, being born on the Royal estates in 1844 and living there all his life.

1851 EXHIBITION

He remembered being taken to the Great Exhibition at Hyde Park in 1851 and being present when Queen Victoria welcomed the troops back from the Crimean War.

He was 15 when he entered the service of the Duchess of Kent, mother of Queen Victoria, and one of his tasks was to push the aged Duchess round the grounds of the castle in an invalid chair.

"A remarkable span of time is covered when it is remembered that the Duchess was born in 1786. The Duchess recommended young Barker to Queen Victoria, and on

the Occident is electricity which has many uses but which is death for those who contact it. Chinese say, 'Hsi blen chu,' meaning 'going to the west' when they say they are dying. When all the Orient is unified, Wu says, it will conquer the world through fertility and justice.

Japanese Tutelage

Wu, sitting in a poorly-furnished room of an old house in the Japanese Concession, expounded his theories of life and government for more than four hours with the United Press correspondent. He firmly believes it is his destiny to lead a new China under the tutelage of Japan for, he says, it is so written in the classics.

"The Classics foretold that in 1911 a great upheaval in China would occur, resulting in complete change in a revised form of government and that in the 25th year after establishment of this new government, a man, 52 years of age, would arise from the masses, bring out the unification of Japan and China, and lead the East to greater glories than all history records."

Silver Jubilee

He points out that next year is the 25th year of the Chinese Republic and he will then be 52 years old. He was a peasant boy in his native Hsiangho and he is now in a position to allow destiny to take its course.

Tall and powerfully-built with expressive face and hands, Wu is a mystic as well as a political agitator and revolutionist. He has studied and developed new theories on such varied subjects as numerology, vibrations and astrology. He also reads mystic interpretations into the Chinese written characters.

At the age of 19, he passed the Imperial Examinations at Peking with first honours. He held numerous offices in the Peking Government and later organised many Kuomintang branches throughout Hsiangho Province, but he turned against the Kuomintang when he saw its brutality, selfishness and corruption, he says. At one time he was Councillor to General Chiang Kai-shek with offices in Shanghai. He has written numerous books on government, river conservation, Confucian lore and political subjects.—United Press.

VICTOR McLAGLEN IN KIPLING FILM

Hollywood, Dec. 31. Victor McLaglen, the British film star, is to appear as Private Terence Mulvaney in a film story adapted from Kipling's "Soldiers Three." McLaglen was signed up for this film by Michael Bakon, production chief for Gaumont-British, before he left to-night for New York on his way back to England.

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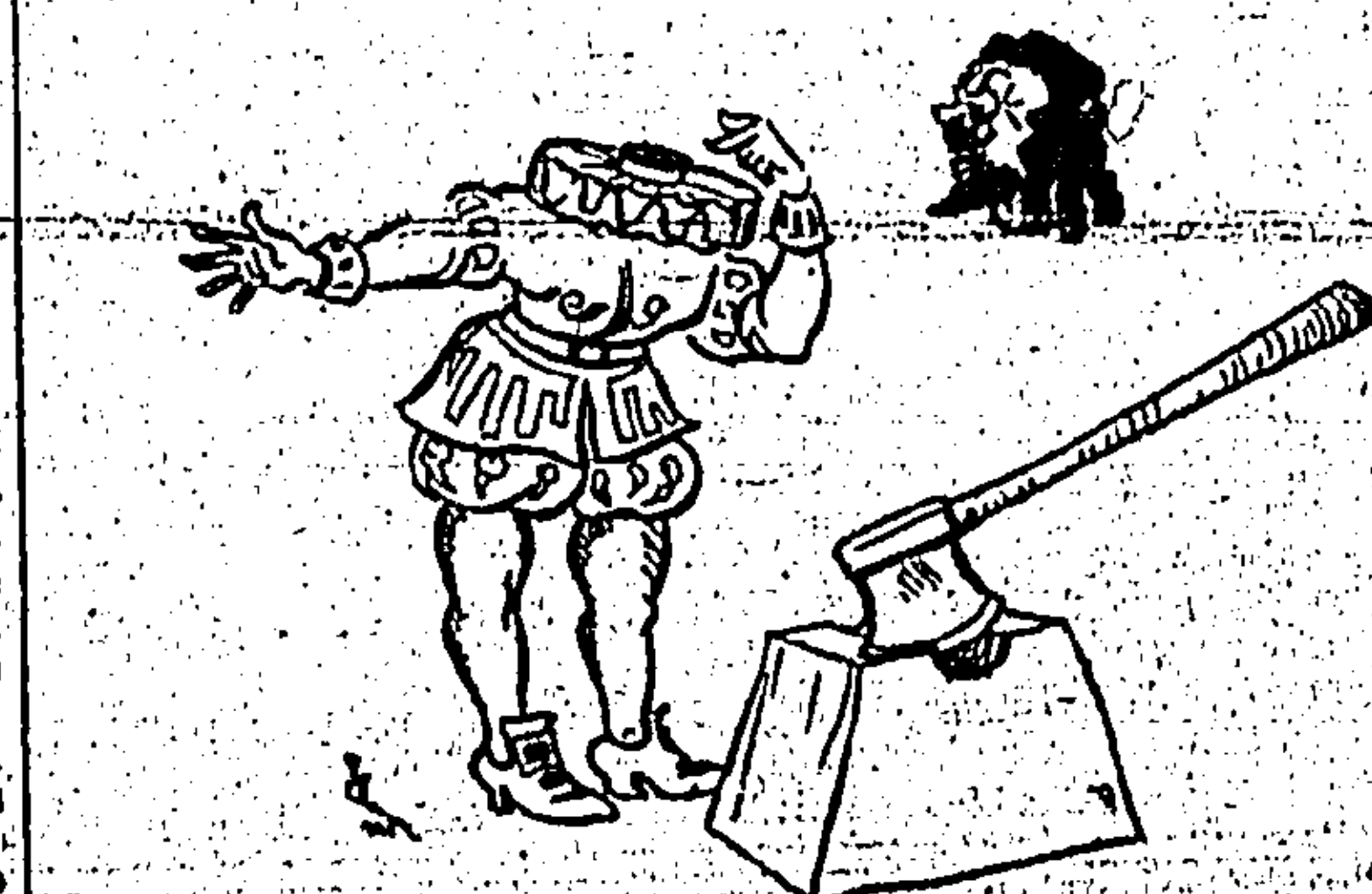
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Later he was appointed vine-keeper at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, and under his care the famous Royal Vine yielded more than 1,000 bunches of fine grapes for 20 years.

Queen Victoria on her visits often congratulated him on the conditions of the vine.

Later, Mr. Barker returned to the Castle premises and after serving King Edward VII. and King George he retired on a pension in 1919 at the age of 75.

The King granted him the use of a cottage on the estate at Windsor for the rest of his life.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined by Holt's Wharf at Holt's Wharf.

Consignees are requested to apply for a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable cargo is being examined.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN N.V.

Agents, Hongkong, 4th January, 1936.

Revenue Officer Grinnitt prosecuted four people at the Central Magistracy this morning, on charges of possessing dutiable tobacco. The first three defendants, a 21-year-old widow, Keung Kin, and two street coolies, Lo Cheung Yu and Chan Yuen, were first offenders, and were given the choice of paying fines of \$15 each or undergoing a month's imprisonment. The other defendant, Chan Tai, 33, also a street coolie, had been convicted for the same offence in 1930, and was ordered by Mr. Macfarlane to pay a fine of \$25 or go to gaol for a month.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Jan. 8. Dow Jones's summary of yesterday's markets received by Messrs. Swan, Calbertson and Fritz. The markets to-day were irregularly higher. The rally carried railroad averages to a new high level. Utility issues led the advance early in the day, and were followed by the securities advanced on Class 1 railroad companies' November net operating income reported at \$451,701,114, an increase of 5.9 per cent. from the corresponding month of the previous year. Oil shares also advanced and dozens of oil issues reached new high figures before they were checked. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher, led by utility stocks, in spite of traders taking their profits. The market for bonds advanced and trading to-day exceeded \$20,000,000. S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Securities to-day were in good demand, especially oil issues, on a reported advance of 15 cents per barrel in East Texas crude oil prices. Montgomery Ward Company's sales during December were 13.8 per cent. above those of the corresponding month of the previous year. The Company's December sales reached a record level. General Motor Company's sales to consumers during December amounted to 122,198 units, against 11,530 units in December of the previous year.

Cotton: The invalidation of the Processing Taxes and strong indications of the passage of the Soldiers' Bonus Bill are reviving inflation talk. The market is now awaiting an announcement regarding substitute farm legislation. The textile markets are reported to be ready to resume normal operations. It is estimated that the world production for the 1935-1936 season will total 36,250,000 bales.

Wheat: It is rumoured that Britain is negotiating for Canadian surplus wheat. Beneficial snows in the South-West are reported to be applying for a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable cargo is being examined.

Corn: This market is without any special feature.

Rubber: Outside interests are increasing. The Trade continues to absorb offerings. There is some tendency on the part of traders to take their profits. The market looks irregularly higher.

Special: Average daily petroleum production during the past week is estimated at 2,803,000 barrels, against 2,811,000 barrels the previous week. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has declared a dividend of \$1 per share.

Wall Street Journal Comment: Railroad earnings during 1935 were the best since 1931. Technicians are disatisfied with the reaction and suggest that the real market test will occur before the week end.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:

Jan. 7, Jan. 8.

30 Industrials 144.92 146.16

20 Rails 42.44 42.55

20 Utilities 30.97 31.05

40 Bonds 99.60 99.59

11 Commodity Index 56.65 56.17

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held On Monday, the 13th day of January, 1936, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kau Lung Tsai in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years, less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, \$200.00 in cash—This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

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JAPAN INSISTS ON PARITY

(Continued from Page 1.)

As long as there is a chance for disarmament being agreed to, but in the event of the conference deciding on Friday that discussion of Japan's claims for a common upper limit would be impracticable, it is understood that Admiral Nagano will refer to Tokyo to ascertain whether he should still participate in the conference.

To-morrow night, His Majesty's Government is entertaining the delegates to dinner and Viscount Monnell will propose the toast to "The Conference."

PLANS DISCUSSED

London, Jan. 8. The Naval Conference met again for about two hours this afternoon. Three plans, submitted by the French, United Kingdom and Italian delegations respectively, providing for quantitative limitation of naval armaments by means of notification and exchange of building programmes, were examined by the First Committee.

The French and Italian delegates proceeded to elaborate their plans, and the Japanese delegation offered their observations on certain features of the plans. The discussion was adjourned till Friday.—British Wireless.

DECISION DELAYED

Mr. Claude Swinson, Secretary for the Navy, said the decision whether to construct a new battleship, thus inaugurating the programme of replacement of capital ships, was at present in abeyance pending the outcome of the London Naval Conference. He indicated that the United States would start replacement if Great Britain and Japan inaugurated construction.—United Press.

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Washington, Jan. 8. Mr. Claude Swinson, Secretary of the Navy, today announced that the United States was considering a battleship replacement programme, but that no action had been taken or would be taken until the outcome of the Naval Conference is known.

The announcement coincides with the news of several changes in the high command of the Navy, including the appointment, from June of Vice Admiral Arthur J. Heburn to Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet in succession to the retiring Admiral Reeves.—Reuter.

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Stubbs Road Eyesore

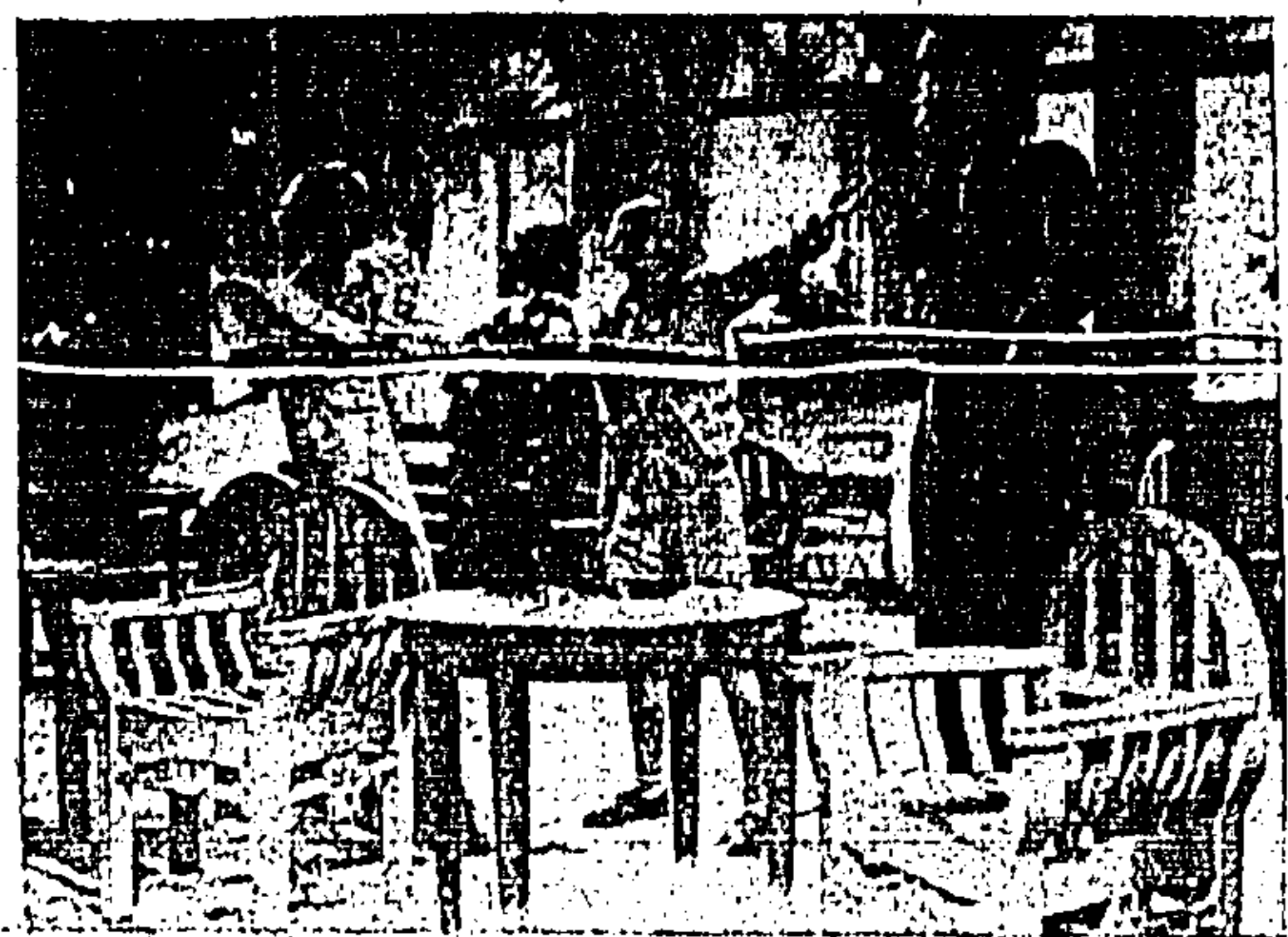
(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—May I direct the attention of the appropriate authorities to the conglomeration of ramshackle buildings masquerading as "Public Works Deposits" on Stubbs Road, just above the Jockey Club stables? Recently, a commendable effort has been made to improve the approach to this depot; but the place itself is a standing disgrace to the Department and to the Colony.

There are all manner of structures within the area, some makeshift and others makeshift huts constructed, apparently, from old kerosene tins and scrap galvanised iron.

The Government has latterly been very concerned in the presence, in the near neighbourhood of the stables, of huts, apparently oblivious to the fact that this depot is just as much of an eyesore. Visitors to the Colony, on the way to Repulse Bay, must wonder what sort of Government it is that admits ownership of such a collection of derelict sheds. Cannot something be done about it?

Enquirer.



An exciting scene from British and Dominion's latest success, "Escape Me Never" starring the great little Elisabeth Bergner, which is at the King's Theatre now, through United Artists release.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H.K. Banks, \$1,510 b.

H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$98 n.

Chartered Bank, \$13 1/4 n.

Mercantile Bank, A. and B., \$29 1/4 n.

Mercantile Bank C., \$13 1/4 n.

East Asia Bank, \$76 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$275 n.

Union Ins., \$560 b. and sa.

China Underwriters, \$110 n.

China Fire, \$480 n.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$260 n.

Internat'l Assec., \$3 1/4 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.

H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Prof.), \$30 n.

Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$20 n.

Shell (Beecher), \$3 1/4 n.

Union Waterboats, \$12 n.

Mining.

Antamoks, \$145 b.

Balates, \$17 1/2 n.

Banguio Gold, 22 cts. n.

Benguet Consolidated, \$16 1/2 n.

Benguet Exp., 11 cts. n.

Bong Wai, 12 cts. n.

Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.

Gold River, 7 cts. n.

Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.

Ilogons, 35 1/2 cts. n.

Salact, 15 cts. n.

Kailan, 11 1/2 n.

Langkats (Single), \$11 n.

Shai Explorations, \$4 1/2 n.

Shai Loans, \$4 n.

Raub, Ex div., \$10.50 b.

Venz: Goldfield \$3 b.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves (old), \$101 b.

and sa.

H.K. Wharves (new), \$98 1/2 n.

H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.

Providents (old), \$1.50 b. and sa.

Providents (new), 15 cts. n.

Hongkows (old), \$3.237 1/2 n.

New Engineering, \$4 n.

Shanghai Docks, \$80 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cotton's Sh. \$9 1/2 n.

Shai Cottons (old), \$7 1/2 n.

Shai Cottons (new), \$4 1/2 n.

Zong Sings, \$12 n.

Wing On Textiles, \$25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$530 b.

H.K. Lands, \$36 1/2 n.

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Shai Lands, \$30 n.

Metropolitan Lands, \$10 n.

Humphries, \$10.60 n.

H.K. Realities, \$5.35 n.

Chinese Estates, \$84 n.

China Realities, \$4 n.

China Debentures \$35 n.

Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$14 1/4 n.

Peak Trams, (old), \$5 b.

Peak Trams, (new), \$2 1/2 n.

Star Ferries, \$90 b.

Yaumati Ferries, (old) \$18 n.

China Lights, \$10.05 b.

China Lights (New), \$7 b.

H.K. Electric, \$69 1/2 b.

Macao Electric, \$20 n.

Sandakan Lights, \$2.10 n.

Telephone (old), \$25.70 sa.

Telephone (new), \$10.15 n.

China Buses, \$11 1/4 n.

Singapore Tractions, 17/- n.

Singapore Pref 26/- n.

Industrials.

Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.

Cald: Macg. (old), \$19 1/2 n.

Cald: Macg. (Pref.), \$15 n.

Canton Ice, \$1.45 n.

Centent, \$3 n.

H.K. Ropes, \$4.90 b.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, \$21.40 sa.

Watson, \$4 1/2 n.

Lane Crawfords, \$6 1/4 n.

Mackintosh, \$5 n.

Sinners, \$2.30 n.

Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.

Wing On (H.K.), \$42 1/2 b.

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Entertainments, \$3.40 n.

S. C. Enterprise \$1.85 n.

Wallace Harpers \$4 n.



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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

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Jan. 7. Jan. 8.

British Government Securities

War Loan 3 1/4% redm. after 1952 £105 1/4 £106

Chinese Bonds

4 1/2% Bonds 1893 (Eing-Isa.) £102 1/4 £102 1/4
4 1/2% Loan 1908 £ 96 £ 97
5% Loan 1912 £ 74 1/4 £ 75
5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Lih. Isa.) £ 90 1/4 £ 90 1/4
5% Gold Bonds 1925 £ 99 1/4 £ 99 1/4
5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £ 69 £ 69 1/4
5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £ 32 £ 32
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Suppl. Loan) £ 31 £ 31
5% Honan Rly. £ 28 £ 28
5% Hukang Rly. 1911 £ 47 1/4 £ 47 1/4
5% Lung Tsing U. Hal Rly. 1913 £ 19 £ 19

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7% Int. Loan 1924 £ 50 1/4 £ 60
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £ 85 £ 85
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924 £ 97 £ 97
H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) £ 97 £ 98
Charld. Bk. of I.A. & C. £ 13 1/4 £ 13 1/4

Commercial and Industrial

Allied Ironfound-ers 37/3 37/3
Associated & Elec. Industries 43/9 43/9
Austin Motors ord. sh. 43/3 44/-
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British-American Tobacco (Beaver) 115/9 115/7 1/2
Canadian Celanese 121/3 122/6
Chinese Eng. and Min. (Beaver) 11/0 11/6
Courtaulds 60/3 60/-
Distillers 98/3 98/-
Dunlop Rubber 41/0 42/-
Elec. and Musical Industries 27/3 27 1/4
General Electric (England) 74/9 75/-
Hawker Aircraft 20/6 20/3
Impl. Chem. Ind. 37/3 37/3
O.K. Bazaar 52/9 52/6
Impl. Tobacco 155/7 1/2 155/7 1/2
Rolls Royce 155/10 1/2 155/10 1/2
Shai Elec. Constr. 46/- 46/-
Tate & Lyle 88/- 88/3
Turner & Newall 74/6 74/3
United Steel 31/10 31/7 1/2
Vickers ord. 20/3 20/6
Watney, Comp. & Reid ord. 78/6 78/6
Woolworths 118/9 119/3

Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 27/3 27/0
Gula Kalumpung 24/- 24/-
Rubber 1/3 1/3
Pekin Synd 1/3 1/3
Rubber Plantation Invest Trust 31/3 31/0

Mines

Burma Corp. 11 1/4 11/6
Commonwealth Mining 9/9 9/9
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Sparwater Op-tions 8/3 8/3
Springs Mines 45/- 44 1/4
Sub-Nigel 255/- 255/-
Rhokana Corp. 105/3 108/3

Oils

Anglo-Iranian 70/- 69 1/4
Burmah 82/6 82/0
Shell Trans and Trad. (Beaver) 84 1/4 83 1/4
Chosen Corp. 11/0 11/3
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New York Cotton

Jan. 7. Jan. 8.
March 11.16 11.13/14
May 10.86 10.81/82
July 10.61 10.60/60
October 10.10 10.12/12
December (1935) 10.10 10.10/10
Spot 11.80 11.90

New York Rubber

March 13.00a 14.05/06
May 14.00 14.21/21
July 14.24 14.35b/36
September 14.40 14.50/50
December 14.60 14.73b/75a
Total sales—411 lots.

Chicago Wheat

May 103 102 1/4/102 1/4
July 89 1/2 89 1/4/89 1/2
September 88 1/2 87 1/2/87 1/2
Tuesday's sales—25,070,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

May 61 1/2 61 1/4/61 1/2
July 62 1/2 62 1/4/62 1/2
September 62 1/2 62 1/4/62 1/2
Tuesday's Sales—2,423,000 bushels

Winnipeg Wheat

May 89 88 1/2/88 1/2
July 80 1/2 80 /80

New York Silk

March 1.98 1.97 1/2/1.98 1/2
May 1.97 1.97 1/2/1.97 1/2
July 1.97 1.97 /97

The number of cases treated by the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch during December totalled 12,288. In Cheung Chau two serious cases of Eclampsia were successfully treated while in the same place there was a case of strangulation. The largest numbers of cases are treated at Cheung Chau, Shataukok and Tsunwan.

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DEATHS.

BAKER.—On Sunday, 8th December,
1935, at 23, Church Road,
Osterley, Middlesex, England,
Samuel Baker, beloved husband of
Elizabeth Boyd Baker.

MISKIN.—On the 9th January, 1936,
at the War Memorial Nursing
Home, Hongkong, after a very
short illness, Joyce (nee Ram)
dearly loved wife of Geoffrey
Miskin. Funeral will pass the
Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, JAN. 9, 1936.

NAVAL ACCORD PROSPECTS

With wide divergence of viewpoints
clearly revealed by the
London Naval Conference discussions,
the task of reaching an
agreement satisfactory to all
parties would appear at the moment
to be somewhat remote.
Indeed, Japanese sources are
already predicting the failure of
the negotiations. Agreement on
a quantitative basis is now conceded
to be practically impossible,
and the Conference is at the
moment engaged on the task of
assimilating the proposals put
forward by Britain, France and
Italy, or choosing one of them
as the framework in which to
seek qualitative limitation. The
question is whether accord can
be secured in regard to qualitative
limits on maximum tonnage
and gunnage. Such an agreement
would reduce the cost of
competition and prevent naval
nations having continuously to
renew their navies owing to new
types and inventions being
adopted elsewhere which would
make existing vessels useless.
Japan places much importance
on "equality of security," but
both Britain and the United
States appear disinclined to
yield on this point. As Lord
Lothian has pointed out, they
say that the history of the past
five years proves that Japan already
has security, because her
co-signatories have not felt
strong enough to interfere with
her violations of the Nine-
Power Treaty; that the United
States has two oceanic fronts to
protect, one in the Atlantic and
the other in the Pacific; while
Britain has the immense line of
her Empire communication running
from the North Sea to New
Zealand, through the Mediterranean
or the Cape of Good
Hope; while Japan has only the
single front facing the Pacific.
It is considered, therefore, that
Japan's demand for naval parity
is, in fact, a demand not for
"equality of security," but for
decisive supremacy in the Pacific.
Japan, on the other hand,
is afraid that an Anglo-American
combination, especially if
supported by Russia, might
force her to abandon or limit
her expansion on the mainland
and her desire to expel non-
Asiatic Powers from influence
in the Far East. The suggestion
has been put forward that
eventually the governing factor
may be the purse; that it may
be easier for Japan to acquiesce
in a ratio lower than parity if
Britain and the United States in

Would YOU pay him more?

the man who keeps Britain's
fire burning wants two shillings
a day more pay. On an average
a British miner makes £2 5s. a
week, and to-day will decide
whether his demands for an
increase will be met. In the
following article a writer
explains the difficulties that
are experienced in Britain's
Coal-mining industry.

THE Coal Trade for a century and more
has occupied a prominent place in the
minds of the people of this country. Yet,
strangely enough, very few outside the
Coal Trade have anything but the most
superficial knowledge of the numerous
difficulties which confront the employers
and the employed.

It is therefore of the utmost
importance that the general
public should be able to have
the fullest information concerning
the Coal Trade, because the
industry is in itself so vital to
the welfare of the country, and
gives employment to so many
men.

The best way of approach is
to set out the difficulties which
confront the owners and the
men.

THE owning side of the industry
has spent enormous sums
of money in sinking coal mines
and in providing equipment

NOTES OF THE DAY

AN APT REFERENCE

In his first speech as Chancellor
of the University of Hongkong, His
Excellency Sir Andrew Caldecott
made apt and effective use of a
paraphrased version of the "Trelawny"
refrain, so familiar to
Cornishmen, from Hawker's "Song
of the Western Men." Sir Jonathan
Trelawny, the noted prelate,
is the hero of that refrain, which
runs:

And shall Trelawny die?
Here's twenty thousand Cornishmen
Will know the reason why.

Sir Jonathan was loyal to King
James until the first declaration of
indulgence in 1687, when, as a
Bishop, he used his influence with
his clergy against the King, and,
as a Cornish land-owner, resisted
the attempt to assemble a packed
Parliament. In the following year,
he signed a petition against the
second declaration of indulgence,
and was in consequence imprisoned
in the Tower of London with
Archbishop Sancroft and five other
Bishops, eventually sharing their
triumphant acquittal. The refrain,
"And shall Trelawny die?" were
sung by the men of Cornwall, who
seem to have assembled during the
Bishop's short imprisonment. It
has, however, been suggested that
it is probable that a similar threat
was heard sixty years previously,
when John Trelawny, grandfather
of the Bishop, was imprisoned by
the House of Commons for opposing
the election of Sir John Elliot
to Parliament.

practice each lay down five keels
to three. As against this, however,
it is pointed out that in this
era of power politics, financial
resolution is as important
as naval morale, and Japan may
decide to put the issue to the
test of practice before abandoning
her attempt at parity. The
next few days of the London
Conference may be decisive.
But the portents at the moment
are not such as to encourage the
hope that anything like a satisfactory
adjustment of the issues
involved will be achieved.

Typical study
of a British
miner and
one of his
children



for the service of those
mines. The main interest of
the owner is to reduce his
working costs to a minimum, not
only to enable him to obtain a
reasonable rate of interest on
the capital expended, but at the
same time to put him in a position
to pay the highest wages
possible.

To lay a pit idle because trade
may be slack is a most expensive
proceeding, so the owner continues
working and paying
wages to the miners even though
he may be losing money. He
hopes that when trade improves
he will be in a position to recoup
himself for the losses which
he has sustained.

The last five years tell a sad
story. The majority of districts
have been working at a loss,
which means that the consumer
has been receiving coal at a
price both to owner and miner.

SHORT-TIME working where
wages are on the minimum
must spell hard times for
many. But pay-tickets selected
for publication because they
are exceptionally low do not
tell the whole story. There
is almost invariably some
valid reason for them, and,
when circumstances warrant,
a fair adjustment; and they
can always be more than
balanced by other pay-tickets
which show exceptionally high
pay.

The men naturally look for a
reasonably high rate of remuneration,
and this naturally
evokes from the community a
full measure of sympathy.

At the present time the British
owners are criticised on four
principal grounds: It is alleged
that:

The wages they pay are too
low;

They are in some way defrauding
the miners by making
hidden profits;

They have been slow or
obstructive in "reorganising"
the industry;

They persist in their refusal
to meet the miners for national
wages negotiations.

I THINK it must be clear to all
that owners would like to see
wage rates raised well above the

if it is not bought), or if the
prices at which it is sold are
unremunerative, wages cannot
be increased above their present
level without bankruptcy resulting.

THE public understand that
the money for wages in-
creases is not available in the
industry at the present time,
but there are many who believe
that there are concealed profits,
or who think that money must
be available because a few
colliery undertakings have been
able to declare dividends.

Now to take the second point
first. It is not, perhaps, generally
understood that wages are
not settled pit by pit, or
colliery by colliery, but district
by district; and the miners
maintain that even these areas
are too small and that wages
should be settled nationally. So
the fact that a particular colliery
undertaking is working at a
profit and paying dividends does
not mean that all the collieries
in that district can afford to pay
increased wages. In fact,
where no profit is made by a
district as a whole, any profit
by an individual colliery must
be balanced by a loss at another.

The allegation in relation to
"hidden profits" appears to be
two-fold. It is suggested:

First, that colliery owners
own by-product plants to
which they sell coal at less
than the market price, or
even at a loss, thereby reducing
the pit-head proceeds upon
which the miners' wages are
calculated, and recoup
themselves out of the profits
they make on these by-product
plants.

Secondly, that collieries
dispose of coal to "selling
agencies" (in which they are
shareholders) at unremunerative
prices, and that the profits
which these selling
agencies make out of the
colliery owners but not to
that of the miners.

IN regard to by-product plants,
the answer is simple. The
coal transferred to them must
be transferred at fair market
prices; it is the duty of the accountants
appointed by the
miners to see that this is actually
done; and they have access
to the colliery books for that
purpose.

One may reasonably ask what
better safeguard could be provided.
According to some, it
might be imagined that these
by-product plants were veritable
gold mines, and that every
colliery possessed them. Actually
they consist in the main of
coke-oven plants; the coal consumed
at them is a very small
proportion of the total output
of the country.

In point of fact in many districts
there are few or none of
these plants; and certainly by-
product plants have been and
are making losses.

The other allegation is equally
without foundation.

The prices at which coal is sold
to subsidiary selling agencies
are closely scrutinised by the
auditors appointed by the work-
men for the purpose of the
wages ascertains, and this
provides an effective guarantee
against the selling agency
making more than legitimate
profits.

An SOS at Sea ...

TO the wireless operator at sea
the reception of a distress
call is a moment of intense
drama. The SOS may come to
him suddenly from the silence of
a great ocean. It may come as
a despairing whisper amid the
radio clamour of crowded
waters. In either case it is an
unforgettable experience.

His ship is nearing port, per-
haps. Scores of ships are work-
ing messages to and from shore.
The intermingling notes from a multi-
tude of various transmitters, grow-
ing, singing, stuttering, whistling,
become confused in a hideous cacophony.

It is as if the ether had gone mad.
Into this bedlam of sound comes a
thin call for aid from a ship in des-
perate need—S O S, S O S, S O S...

For a short time it may appear to
be unheard and unheeded as it strives
for attention through the hopeless
din.

But someone hears it. Imperative-
ly this operator calls to all ships in
his vicinity to cease traffic, no matter
how urgent, how important.

These others pass the command to
get others, and so the news is flashed
over a wide area. And then the
wireless notes begin to die. Wave
after wave of sound subsides.

So, in the stillness, the distressed
vessel is able to tap out its momentous
message without interference.

Letter by letter the de-
liberated words are written down and
rushed to the captain. What follows
is his responsibility.

It may happen that an operator,
having had little or nothing to do for
hours in open waters, is electrified
by a sudden S O S.

Seldom, as has apparently happened
with the Parago, is there in-
sufficient time for the wireless opera-
tor to send out his message.

ONE night in January 1920, steam-
ing at a sluggish eight knots off
the coast of Rio de Oro, N.W. Africa,
there came to me an unexpected
S O S. It was from the French
liner l'Afrique, which had struck a
lightship near La Rochelle, in the Bay
of Biscay.

This position showed her to be
about 1,200 miles away, dead reckoning.
It would have taken the ship
for a short time to appear in the
vicinity of the straits—about five days,
to get there. Obviously we could do
nothing.

But, listening to the messages, one
was kept in touch with the grim
drama that was being enacted so far
away. Finally there came a message
which read: "There is no panic. All
is calm."

After that there was silence.
They were the last words sent out
by the gallant operator of l'Afrique
before she sank. Two days later the
vessel was able to tap out its momentous
message without interference.

The wireless operators in the re-
sulting drama stated that there had been a loss
of 650 lives.

DAUGHTER SUING MOTHER

TWO DOCTORS ALSO
INVOLVED

GRAVE CHARGE
MAY FOLLOW

(Special to "Telegraph")

San Francisco, Jan. 8. Astonishing revelations, which are likely to have a sequel in the criminal courts, were made in the case in which Miss Ann Hewitt claims \$100,000 damages from her mother and two doctors, alleging that she was sterilized so that her mother could retain the benefit of a \$2,000,000 trust fund left by her father, Mr. Peter Hewitt.

Under the terms of the will, Mr. Hewitt's widow would receive the benefit of the trust unless the daughter married and had a child, in which event a large portion of the income would go to the child upon Ann's death.

Doctors defended the operation, saying that Ann was mentally feeble. Miss Hewitt stated that she was not allowed to live a normal life, had always been deprived of friends of her own age and had been protected from anybody likely to tell her "facts" about life.

The District Attorney is now investigating the affair, and states that the case will probably be presented to a Grand Jury.—*Reuter Special.*

SNOWBALLING ON "CHITRAL"

UNUSUAL WEATHER
ENCOUNTERED

Passengers aboard the P. and O. liner Chitral, which arrived here this morning, had some almost incredible photographs which they had taken on board while the ship was travelling between Maracalles and Suva. The pictures showed the decks of the Chitral covered in four or five inches of snow.

Those on board who had taken a cruise to milder climates to escape the English winter were very surprised, but everyone on board made the best of the most unusual weather, and shortly after leaving Maracalles the only deck sports being played were snow-balling and building snow men.

The trip through the Mediterranean proved uneventful, four Italian troopships being passed, two of them in the Red Sea returning home apparently packed with soldiers.

NEW ADMIRAL ARRIVES

ASSUMES DUTY ON
SATURDAY

The new Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Little, arrived this morning by the P. and O. liner Chitral and was met by H. E. Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, present C-in-C, accompanied by his A.D.C., Commodore P. N. Attwood.

The Vice-Admiral's welcome was a semi-official one as he does not take over his duties until Saturday, when Sir Frederic leaves for the Carthage. It is understood that the Vice-Admiral will be the guest of the Admiral at Admiralty House in the meantime. He is not accompanied by Lady Little, who has recently been indisposed but who will join him later.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

LIBERTY IS NOT A DRUG TO BE PRESCRIBED, BUT A PLANT OF SLOW GROWTH DEMANDING CAREFUL ATTENTION.—*Sir J. A. R. Marriott.*

A man named Leung Yau was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries caused when he accidentally fell from a drain pipe he was climbing during a police raid at No. 9 Yat Fai Lane.

Miss Gregory, a resident at the Peninsula Hotel for the past four days, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital last night suffering from some form of poisoning. Miss Gregory, who is stated to be Australian and about 26 years of age, is making a satisfactory recovery.

An excuse that he had returned to collect some debts was offered by Tam Cheung, a bus driver, appearing before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning. He had been deported on June 26, 1935, for five years, and had one previous return against him. Sentence of nine months' hard labour was passed.

Appearing before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning, Achmed Gul, 25, charged with vagrancy, pleaded that a friend owed him enough money to support him until he found work, but his Worship remarked that debts were not sufficient. Defendant was committed to the House of Detention until January 17, when he will be repatriated and sent back to India on the s.s. Talm.

STRIKE THREAT IN BRITAIN

COAL MINE CRISIS LOOMS AGAIN

WORKERS EXPECTED TO REJECT OWNERS' PLAN

London, Jan. 8.

The coal situation is critical, following indications that the miners' leaders are expected to reject the owners' proposals to-morrow, on the ground that they are neither uniform nor national.

Proposals may be made to-morrow for levelling up the owners' offers by the formation, possibly, of a central wage pool, or an ultimate general average increase of ninepence per day. The men are asking for an increase of two shillings a day.

If the negotiations break down completely, strike notices will be handed in, to expire on January 27.

Following a conference with representatives of the coal owners' sub-committee, the mine workers visited the Mines Department to-day and had an interview lasting two and a quarter hours with the Secretary of Mines, Captain Crookshank. At this interview, the men's representatives asked the Government to provide temporary financial assistance to the industry, with a view to averting a stoppage. The Secretary of Mines, however, reiterated the Government's earlier refusal to grant such assistance.

OFFER FALLS SHORT

The coalowners' offer to the miners, in response to the latter's demand for an increase of two shillings per shift in all districts, falls considerably short of this amount.

At the conclusion of a three-hour meeting between representatives of the colliery owners and Mine workers, the colliery owners' offer was the largest offer made in a shilling increase in Lancashire, North Wales, and South Derbyshire, Leicestershire, North and South Staffordshire, Cambridgeshire, Warwickshire and Shropshire.

Other increases offered are 9d. in Scotland, Yorkshire and Forest of Dean, 6d. in Northumberland, Durham and Cumberland, and 8d. in Somerset.

These figures represent an increase of from 22½ per cent. to 25 per cent. of the minimum percentage on the basis of the rate in South Wales, with subsistence wages of 94d. daily increase to 97d. The increase in Kent is 5d.

Miners under the age of eighteen years are generally to receive half the above increases.

The miners' representatives will report to the full Executive tonight, and a further joint meeting with the owners will be held at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

OFFERS SUMMARISED

London, Jan. 8. Representatives of the colliery owners met representatives of the Mine workers' Federation to-day and placed before them offers of increased wages which had been formulated by the owners in various districts. The men's representatives reported to their Executive Committee this evening, and a further joint meeting is to take place to-morrow.

The offers vary from district to district. In about nine areas, the suggested advance are one shilling for adults, while ninepence is offered for others. In three districts, advances of sixpence are proposed, and in two others fivepence per shift per adult worker.

The original claim put forward by the men's representatives for an increase of two shillings per shift for adults and one shilling for juveniles.—*British Wireless.*

BLAZING NEW AIR TRAILS

ITALIANS SEEKING
TO LINK ARMIES

FLYING OVER
FOREIGN SOIL

(Special to "Telegraph")

Rome, Jan. 8. A bold bid in progress is being made in a non-stop air trail from Eritrea to Italian Somaliland across French and British Somaliland and Abyssinia.

With the Italian Under-Secretary of Air and Signor Mussolini's personal pilot aboard, a cabin crew of three, a three-engine monoplane, with an extra petrol tank, started out on the journey at dawn to-day.

Air experts point out that it has been hitherto impossible to send war planes to General Graziani on the southern front except by sea, and the assembling of such a force would be a mechanical supervision.

If the present flight is successful, an entire bombing squadron could be despatched in flying formation from the north to the southern front.

The fact that the fliers are travelling over British and French territory is giving rise to some misgivings in Italian air circles.—*Reuter Special.*

ARMED ROBBERY THIS MORNING

VICTIMS GAGGED AND
BLIND FOLDED

A daring armed robbery by five men armed with butchers' knives was perpetrated at No. 181 Leichke Road, first floor, about 9.40 o'clock this morning.

The men went to the house and asked to see a broker, who apparently occupied a cubicle in the front portion of the floor. The broker had just left the premises, and as soon as the door was opened, the men rushed in and gagged and blind-folded the inmates.

The men then searched the premises, offered some resistance and received a cut on her hand. The men then searched the floor and made their escape with a quantity of jewellery and some money, the value of which is as yet unknown.

The robbers were on the premises for about half an hour, before escaping in an unknown direction.

In her report to the police, Wong Chi said that the men all spoke Punt and Kau Kong dialects.

VARIABLE PITCH PROPELLERS

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London, Jan. 8. The production of controllable pitch air screws in Great, which dates from the acquisition in 1934 of certain American patents by the Havilland Company, is making steady progress.

Manufacturers have contracts aggregating several hundreds of thousands of pounds. Controllable pitch air screws will be fitted to 29 new large flying-boats under order for addition to the Imperial Airways commercial fleet. The variable pitch propeller increases the operational speeds and eases loads imposed on the engine.—*British Wireless.*

BEAUTY SPOT FOR NATION

KING'S JUBILEE
GIFT

London, Jan. 8. The property owned and protected by the National Trust in Dorset, a famous birding which unrivalled views of Dorsetshire and North Staffordshire are obtained, has recently been extended by the addition of about a hundred acres comprising "The Iron Tor and The Nabbs," both limestone promontories close to the River Dove.

The gift to the National Trust has been made in commemoration of the King's Silver Jubilee.—*British Wireless.*

CURRENCY COMPARISONS

London, Jan. 8. A review of fluctuations in principal currencies during the past year, in the *Board of Trade Journal*, shows that on balance the pound sterling has gained substantially in value in relation to the six chief gold currencies, and appreciated materially in terms of the lire and about 38 per cent. against the dollar, the gold content of which was reduced as from April 1 last.—*British Wireless.*

SEAPLANE MISSING

London, Jan. 8. A seaplane attached to one of the three squadrons of R.A.F. machines, carried by H.M.S. Furious, is missing, on a flight in the vicinity of the Isle of Man and other planes from the aircraft carrier and ships in the neighbourhood are now searching.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

RADIO BROADCAST

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CHILDREN'S CONCERT

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 5.5.30 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra. 5.30-6 p.m. A Relay of the 1st part of the Concert from the Helena May Institute arranged by Madame H. Eyelle. 6.30-7 p.m. Children's Studio Concert. 6.30-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7.17-7.30 p.m. Two Chopin Ballades played by Alfred Cortot.

1. Ballade in A Flat Major (Op. 47); 2. Ballade in F Minor (Op. 52).

7.17-7.30 p.m. The Russian Novelty Orchestra.

The Swallow Waltz; The Broken String Waltz; Sorrowful (Schwarz); Joys of the Past—Waltz (Schwarz).

7.30-7.45 p.m. Vocal Gems. The Soldier (O. Strauss); The Gipsy (Jones).

7.45-8 p.m. New Mayfair Orchestra.

Medley of James Tate's Songs; Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago, 1923-1924. 8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-11 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert. 11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-10 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a Frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05-8.18 p.m. A Jazz Piano Recital by Patricia Rossborough.

1. Here is my heart—Selection; 2. Dances; 3. Broadway Melody of 1936—Selection; 4. Please Teacher!—Selections.

8.18-8.30 p.m. Excerpts from "Naughty Marietta" sung by Nelson Eddy (Baritone).

1. March The Southern Moon; 2. Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life; 3. I'm falling in Love with someone; 4. Tramp, Tramp, Tramp along the Highway.

8.30-9.15 p.m. A Relay from Daventry.

8.30 p.m. High Spots. No. 12. "The Town Hall Birmingham," A descriptive commentary from the roof of the Town Hall, Birmingham, by F. W. Bradnock.

8.45 p.m. Dance Music. 9 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-9.28 p.m. "Top Hat" Tunes sung by Ginger Rogers.

1. Check to Check; 2. The Piccolino; 3. Isn't this a lovely Day; 4. No Strings.

9.28-9.40 p.m. "William Tell" Overture (Rossini).

9.40-10 p.m. Jack Hylton and his Orchestra.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Close Down.

FORMER HONG- KONG RESIDENT

MR. S. BAKER PASSES
AWAY AT HOME

Old residents of the Colony will learn with the utmost regret of the death, which occurred at Osterley, Middlesex, on December 8, of Mr. Samuel Baker, who was for many years chief engineer of the China Sugar Refinery at East Point.

The late Mr. Baker, who left for home on retirement in 1923, when the Company which he served was liquidated, resided here for no less than 34 years. He came East as fourth engineer on a Jardine boat, the King-sing, and unlike most seafaring folk, he outlived his vessel, the King-sing, having been scrapped long since.

After serving on about seventeen years with the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Mr. Baker was appointed chief engineer to the China Sugar Refinery, where he remained until his retirement.

During his lengthy residence in Hongkong, Mr. Baker took considerable interest in the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders. He was Secretary for no less than eleven years and was unanimously appointed President in the year 1923-24. Mr. Baker also took a keen interest in the activities of the St. George's Society, of which he was President from 1925 to 1928, during which period his services were invaluable.

He was also a keen lawn bowler and played for the East Point Recreation Club in League games. Mr. Baker leaves a widow and family, for whom much sympathy will be felt.

RADIATOR CAP THEFT

POLICE AWAITING
CLAIMANT

A radiator cap, with a Boyce motor, lying at the Yau Ma Tei Police Station awaiting a claimant. The police state that it was apparently stolen from a Morris car, the number of which is unknown.

This morning a 46-year-old unemployed man, Yeung Chai, was employed by Mr. E. I. Wynne, charged with stealing the article and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Inspector Shannon stated that about 2.15 p.m. yesterday defendant was stopped by a Chinese detective at Shanghai Street, and the radiator cap was found in his pocket. Defendant told the police that he had stolen it from a motor car outside the Alhambra Theatre.

Defendant admitted a previous conviction for keeping a sly brothel.

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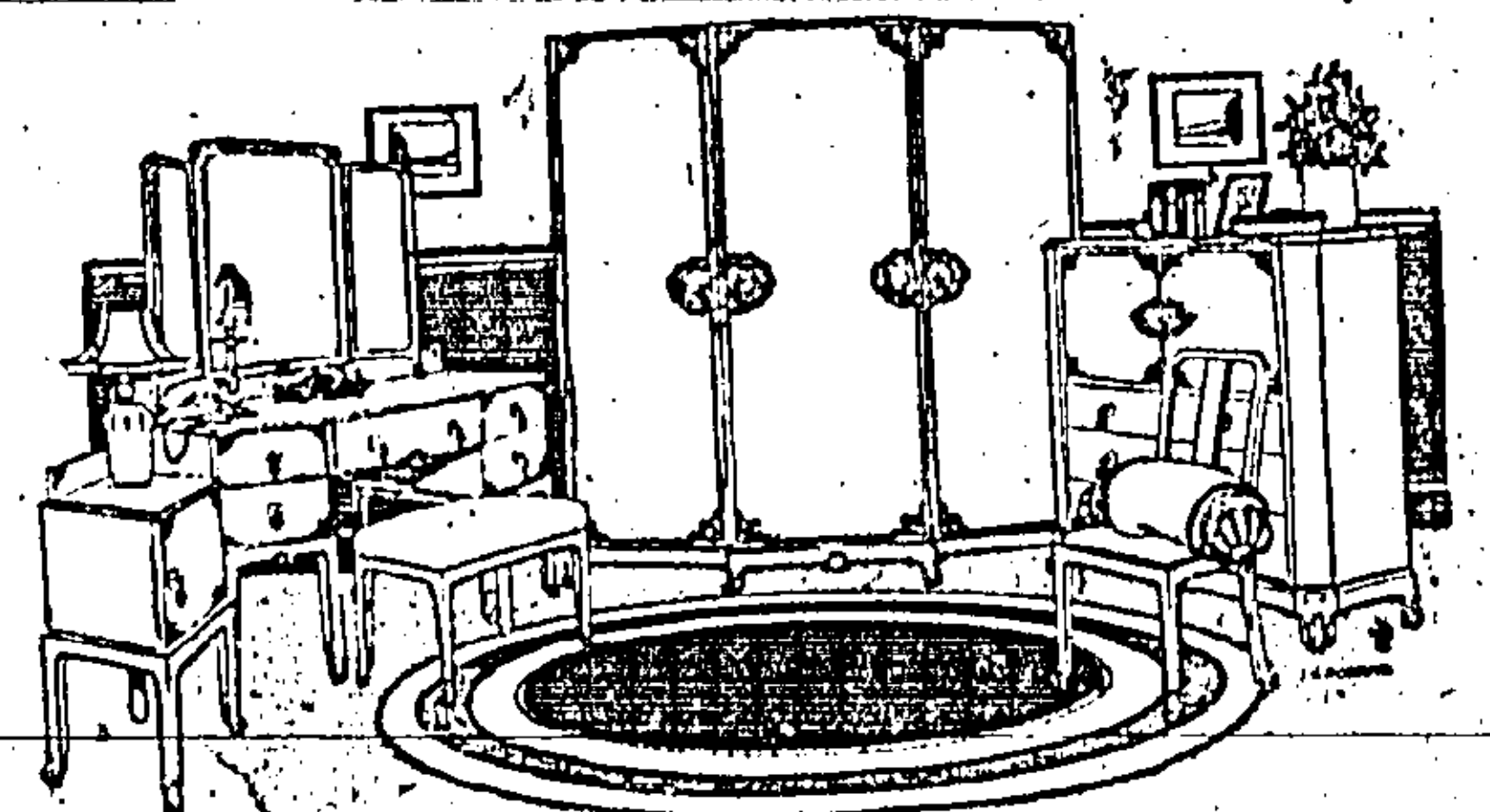
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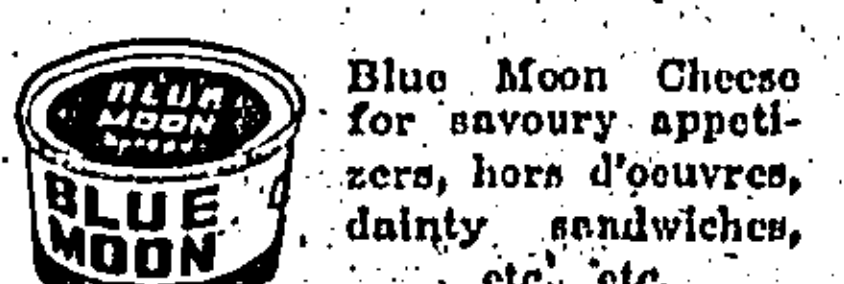
Albanian Oil For Italy

LONG PIPELINE NOW COMPLETED

London, Jan. 8. News has been received of the opening of a pipe line 46 miles long from Albania to Bologna, through which the Italians hope to convey thousands of tons of crude oil daily into Italy.

The oil comes from concessions in Albania held by an Italian company and it is believed that this field can yield a total of 100,000,000 tons.

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THE INTERPORT TRIAL NEED NOT BE A FIASCO

Worthy Team Can Be Picked From Players On View



Manning Railton, veteran footballer, who is appearing for the Club against Navy in Saturday's Shield tie.

GILCHRIST RETURNS

IN CLUB TEAM TO PLAY NAVY

ELLIOTT LEADING ATTACK

(By "Veritas")

A tit-bit of the Senior Shield draw is the clash between Club and Navy, and a first rate game can be expected at Happy Valley.

Navy discovered a good winning team last week and unless they are forced to, it is doubtful whether they will make changes. But they never know from one day to another whether their men will be available so that it is impossible to state the team for duty this week.



Forrow, Club centre-half, and one of the most promising of the younger footballers in Hongkong.

It may be this—Roberts; Stallard and Rogers; Wallace, Bowers and Slavin; Phippin, Ryan, Cannel, Crawford and Rexter.

CLUB ALTERATIONS

Club have made two changes in personnel and in positions for this match. Elliott returns to lead the attack while Strange and Bickford will resume their customary places at inside left and outside left respectively.

Gamble drops out of the half back line to allow Gilchrist, who announced his retirement from the game, to return at left half. Otherwise as before, namely—

Rodger; Railton and Strange; Skinner, Forrow and Gilchrist; Forrow, Hill, Elliott, E. Strange and Bickford.

I must confess I fancy the Navy's chances. Their biggest pull will be in the half back line, a rather prominent weakness of the Club's. But Club are at home and this may inspire them to a big effort. It will be needed if these nautical lads are to be beaten.

At least an enjoyable game is assured.

NO POLICE CHANGES

Police are making no team changes for the match, and they will line up as follows—

McLardy; Blackburn and Pilo; North, Gough, and Parker; T. Pilo, Stevens, Johnson, Brooks and Moss.

IF SELECTORS ACT WISELY

CIRCUMSTANCES IN WAY OF BEST ELEVEN BEING CHOSEN

(By "Veritas")

The number of letters already received in this office from readers submitting their "Ideal" Interport football teams is at least indicative of the profound interest taken in the annual Colony v. Shanghai encounter, even if they are also somewhat anticipatory and lacking a little in thought. Our correspondents have tended to ignore the fact that as yet only trial teams have been chosen by the selection committee, and that it has by no means bound itself down to a stated combination.

Perhaps the most interesting feature to emerge from these "free-lance" teams is that in practically all cases are they composed of players who have either been chosen to play next Sunday or are down as reserves. There are about three exceptions, namely Lee Wai-tong, Tay Qua-liang, and Tam Kong-pai. This is something of a vindication for the selectors.

It is a truism that "circumstances alter cases", and it is because of circumstances that one highly important factor must be taken into consideration in the selection of this year's Interport team. The match is not being played in Hongkong which means the committee has not 100 per cent. talent available. Players who would normally be in the team, and probably just as naturally be chosen for the Interport cannot get away from business to go to Shanghai. And a further retarding influence is that a number of our Chinese players are certain to be sent to Berlin later in the year and therefore cannot possibly hope to get time off for both events.

WHY THEY ARE NOT PICKED

It is only right to bear in mind, when criticising the selectors' nominations, that they went to the trouble some time ago of ascertaining from all the leading players whether they would be available for Shanghai, and if chosen, it must therefore be presumed that where certain prominent players do not appear in Sunday's trial, it is because they have informed the committee of their inability to make the trip. The position being such it is obviously foolish to include them in a trial game.

Our correspondents therefore who have introduced names into their suggested Interport teams which do not appear in the trial must, I am afraid, resign themselves to the fact that these favourites will not secure positions in the finally chosen side. Not necessarily because the selectors do not share our correspondents' views, but because circumstances over which the committee has no control have forced their hands.

It is partly because of this, but largely because from the trial teams nominated it is possible to pick a very good (though not perhaps the best) Colony side, that I think the selectors have done quite well so far.

THE BIG POINT

The big point is: have they already made up their minds as to the team to be sent to Shanghai, so that Sunday's trial merely becomes a game to meet the formalities demanded by such an event?

If, with 22 players on view and another seven in reserve, the selectors are going to regard the match purely as a practice for their chosen players, then it is likely to be a farce and a waste of time.

And I say this not because I think it impossible even at this distance to select the best team from those 29 players, but because neither of the trial teams which will be on view can by any stretch of the imagination be regarded as an Interport team.

The Interport eleven must emerge from this trial and it is palpably impossible to attend the match with any finalised ideas about the composition of the team.

Indications are that the selectors are viewing the game with fairly open minds for there is little in the composition of the teams to suggest it is even an Interport Forwards v. Defences test.

A POSSIBLE DEFENCE

The Blues, with Rodger, Mak Sullivan and Sydney Strange could provide the Interport team with its defence, but somehow I can't help feeling that Swain has the red tick against his name for the right back position. Leung Wing-chui, Wong Moo-shun and Lee Kwok-wai would make a good

half back line, but I think Leung Wing-chui, Belltrao and Lee Kwok-wai would make a better one. With all due respect to Wong as pivot of the finest team in the Colony, on present form Belltrao is the better player, and I also think he would be more effective than Wong behind an inside trio such as Ward, Elliott and Strange (or Talbot).

The selectors undeniably have a centre-forward problem. They tacitly admit it by bringing in Sandford. The point seems to be, is Leonard or Sandford better than Elliott? I am sure that is what it will boil down to. Elliott's chief opponent is Leonard, which is not meant as a disparagement of Sandford. Sandford is a rapidly improving player, but I question whether his experience is sufficient for such an important game.

There isn't a harder worker in local football than Sandford (and that includes Lee Wai-tong, Elliott, Leonard and all the rest), but something more than honest endeavour is needed in an Interport. It requires a centre-forward psychologically suited for such a match, and that psychology depends a great deal on experience.

FORWARD LINE PROBLEMS

It is unlikely that Ward will be challenged for the inside right position, but both wings and inside left are anything but certain. On the face of it the chief contenders for outside left are Bickford and Ridings, but Roberts of the Fusiliers has been picked reserve, and from my own observations I would say that Bickford is superior to Ridings, and that Bickford has little, if anything, over them.

Ernest Strange has not given very much evidence this season of being an Interport inside left, and this position cannot easily be filled. Talbot, thanks to his centre-half activities with the Fusiliers has been clearly forward, and the selectors might do worse than search among their reserves.

Brooks of the Police has been chosen reserve half back. Now I wonder why? Brooks has been playing inside left for the Police lately and playing very well indeed. He should certainly be regarded as a possibility. And the claims of Cheuk Shek-kam, who is reserve inside left for Sunday cannot be overlooked.

Cheuk is one of the smartest forwards in the game here. He has a grand shot, is tricky, and generally speaking has as many qualifications as anybody else.

These are the reasons why the selectors will be very ill-advised to approach Sunday's trial with opinions too definitely formed. If they expect to accept them, the match can provide them with sufficient material and pointers to encourage them to select the best Interport team available.

THE MOST INTERESTING MATCH IN SENIOR SHIELD

POLICE TO PLAY CONQUERORS OF CLUB DE RECREIO

(By "Veritas")

While the majority of soccer "fans" in England on Saturday will be shouting themselves hoarse with excitement at the English Cup ties, Hongkong followers of the game will be keenly watching eight Shield encounters. From these games should emerge the semi-finalists in the Senior and Junior Shields, and all other local football has been suspended for this purpose.

For such an early stage of the competitions there are some unusually attractive matches down for decision. Two in the senior tournament at least should provide first class entertainment, while three of the four junior ties have "red-hot" possibilities.

Perhaps the most interesting of the games will be that between St. Joseph's who surprised everybody by licking Recreio in the previous round, and the Police, whose form this season has offered more scope for comment and speculation than any other team.

The match is scheduled for the Navy ground which should mean some sort of advantage to St. Joseph's who use it for their home fixtures. But it is such a fine playing pitch that visitors do not have the customary number of vagaries (Continued on Page 9.)



B. Gosano, who is to lead the Whites against the Colours in Sunday's Interport trial match.

Easy Shield Ties For S. China Teams

KOWLOON MAKING ONE CHANGE

(By "Veritas")

The two South China Athletic teams are faced with comparatively easy tasks. South China "B", holders of the Senior Shield meet Royal Artillery (Lyemun) and although fullest credit must be given the Gunners for surviving their last test, it cannot be said they stand much chance this week. South China have shown real improvement of late and certainly will not make the mistake of taking things too easily.

The team has not been finally chosen at the time of writing, but it will be selected from the following: Pau Ka-ying; Leung In-chun, Lee Kam or Yu Hing-yuen; George Chan, Lam Tak-po, Henry Young or Yau Shui-wing; Yeung Shui-yick; Lai Shui-wing; Ho Ka-keung; Ng Po-kui; Cheuk Shek-kam or Lee Shek-yau.

South China "A" have to make the trip to the Mainland to meet Kowloon, sensational conquerors of the Fusiliers. They too have not decided on the composition of the team, although it can be said that Tam Kong-pai will not be playing and Lau Mau is ill and therefore unable to appear at left back. Tay Qua-liang may be introduced to this position, necessitating forward line alterations. Leung Wing-chui is also doubtful, but it is expected that Lee Wai-tong will turn out.

The team will be chosen from: Wong Wing; Li Tin-ang and Tay Qua-liang; Leung Wing-chui; Wong Moo-shun; Lee Kwok-wai or Lau Tin-sui; Tso Kwai-shing; Fung King-cheung; Lee Wai-tong; Ip Pak-wa; Wong Ping-chung or Leung Ping-chui.

KOWLOON'S CHANGE

Kowloon making one change from the last week's team has operated for the last few weeks. Kemp, right half makes his return after a bad injury sustained some time ago. It is the best side Kowloon can turn out, and will be—

Boyes; Everest and Eastman; Kemp, Bliss and Boyd; W. Knox; White, D. Knox, V. White and Honnibel.

Little hope can be held out for another Kowloon victory, but on their own ground and before their own supporters they should give South China a good run for their money. If memory serves me a right this is South China's happiest hunting ground. Was it not on the Railway ground that they lost to the Borders and only luckily saved the game against the Navy when they were fighting hard but vainly for the championship?

Colony Hockey Under Review

By "The Pilgrim"

Macao Put Up Two Good Exhibitions

UNFORTUNATE NOT TO BEAT H.K.S. BRIGADE LAST WEEK

In view of the fact that the H.K.S.R. Brigade were playing on their own ground, some of the players were rather disappointing against the Macao Hockey Club when the teams met in an interesting match on the Marina last week.

The centre-forward was too intent on trying to break through on his own and often lost the ball when in a good position to pass to his colleagues. Lieut. Garthwaite was also prone to be selfish and attempted far too much dribbling against a first class defence.

Lieut. Ravenhill at centre-half worked very hard but he appeared to be somewhat slow, and his constructive efforts left much to be desired. Kishen Singh at left back was the mainstay of the defence and but for his timely clearances the Brigade would have suffered defeat instead of earning a draw.

Macao gave a grand exhibition of hockey on an unfamiliar ground, and not for a long time has such a speedy forward line been seen in Hongkong. But their chief strength lay in the intermediate line, A. Alrosa playing magnificently as pivot. Nothing better in creative half back play has been seen on the Marina. The Portuguese custodian was also very prominent, and brought off a series of spectacular saves from short corners.

On the run of the play Macao struck one as being slightly the better team, and if H. Rosorio had not been forced to leave the field ten minutes from the end they would have probably won. Earlier in the season it may be recalled, Macao beat the Brigade by the odd goal in seven.

K.I.T.C. COME UP TO SCRATCH

DESERVEDLY BEAT MACAO

Kowloon Indian Tennis Club did exceedingly well to beat Macao at the U.S.R.C. on Sunday. It was a very fast game and provided spectators with plenty of excitement.

For the most part the Indians had the upper hand. Gurbachan Singh was the brains of a clever attack, his brilliant stickwork and well-nigh uncanny sense of anticipation paving the way for at least two of the three goals scored.

Awar Singh and Pinto combined neatly and were always in the lime-light. Tara Singh at centre-half played one of his best games, this season, his spilling tactics being highly effective. Kishen Singh was as sound as a rock at left back and Ramzan in goal gave a sparkling exhibition.

Macao, although restored to a grass pitch, played like a very tired team and appeared to be suffering from the effects of their strenuous match with the H.K.S.R. Brigade of the previous day.

Nolasco on the right wing, Ramalho at inside right, and Rosorio, inside left, were the pick of the forward line, while A. Alrosa at centre-half, L. Costa at left half and Rodrigues at left back were other players who caught the eye. If all is well we shall see the Macao Club here again during Chinese New Year.

STARTING MAMAK PROGRAMME

ST. ANDREW'S FIRST GAME

ON SUNDAY NEXT

It is good news to hear that St. Andrew's Men's Hockey Club have been given the loan of the Marina ground for a month, which means that the team will be in action against the K.I.T.C. in a Mamak League game on Sunday morning.

This will be the Saints' first match of the season and their strength and prospects will be commented on in my notes next week.

The other first division match between the Radio and Royal Engineers has been postponed as the Sappers are unable to turn out a team. The Royal Engineers "B" will oppose C.B.A. in a second division game on the C.B.A. ground on Sunday at 11.15 a.m.

RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP REPLAY

HANTS DEFEAT SURREY

London, Jan. 8.

Surrey and Hampshire met in the County Rugby Championship replay at Richmond to-day when Hampshire won by five points to three.

In another match Bristol lost to the Royal Navy, the winners scoring six points without reply.—*Reuter.*

CHAMPIONS BOW TO "Y"

H.K. LADIES LOSE RECORD

Hongkong Ladies, champions of the Caer Clark Cup competition were made to bid farewell to their unbeaten record last week, when they bowed before Y.M.C.A., who scored the only goal of the match.

It was a fine achievement on the part of the winners, who were splendidly served by Miss Anne Fowler and Miss Olive Dalziel. Mrs. Read scored the necessary goal and this redeemed an otherwise rather disappointing display. If Mrs. Read had been at her best the "Y" would have won by a much bigger margin as she had several opportunities of scoring.

Miss Grey played her usual solid game for the losers, and Mrs. Bell at left half was the most energetic player on view.

This success for the Y.M.C.A. has made the struggle for the championship most interesting and there are now three teams concerned in the destination of the honour. Hongkong, C.B.A. and Y.M.C.A. have all lost one and drawn one, but with the Y.M.C.A. the most improved team in the Colony I am bold enough to suggest them as eventual winners of the league. Next week they meet the C.B.A. and this may well prove to be the match of the season.

Blow To Interport Hopes

CENTREFORWARD UNAVAILABLE

It has come to a sad blow to all hockey enthusiasts to learn that Mrs. G. A. White, the Colony's brilliant centre-forward cannot make the trip to Shanghai for the Interport owing to pressure of business.

Her place will be filled (and I am sure ably filled) by Miss P. Gittins, the versatile St. Andrew's skipper and leader. Miss Gittins has shown consistent form this season and is fully worthy to take over such a responsible position.

The selectors seem doubtful as to whom to bring as reserve and I would like to suggest Miss Olive Dalziel of the Y.M.C.A. This young lady has improved her game out of all knowledge and is one of the best right wingers in the Colony at the moment.

If Miss Dalziel is included in the team on the right wing the selectors will find that Miss M. Smith can fill any vacancy which may occur in the attack.

I understand our Interport ladies are to receive a few hints on Thursday next before sailing for Shanghai, and we all hope they will prove to be beneficial.

RECREIO LOSE HEART

Players On The Injured List

Central British Ladies proved to be much too strong for the Recreio and won by four clear goals. Miss M. Smith had a good match and scored two goals, while as usual Mrs. White led the attack in fine style.

The Recreio ladies have still to give of their best this season. It seems they have lost heart through losing several of their best players from injuries. Miss Silva-Netta for example has been out of the game for some weeks. It is to be hoped they will try and recover their confidence for the remaining fixtures.

R. Abbit To Reply

R. Abbit, *Telegraph* cricket correspondent informs us that he will be replying to-morrow to Mr. A. W. Hayward's letter which appeared in yesterday's issues of this paper.

Poor Forward Play In Rugby Trial

BUT DEFENCES SHINE: YESTERDAY'S LEADING PERSONALITIES

Yesterday's trial match to discover a team to represent the Colony against the New Zealand Universities rugby outfit did not help tremendously although certain players were prominent in defence. The match—Colours v. Whites—ended in a draw of six points each.

Robertson played a sound game and though he failed with several penalty kicks, his tough finding was exceptionally good and gained many useful yards.

Defence shone in the defensive position and was as good as Robertson on the day's showing. He followed up strongly and was always safe with his hands.

St. Clair Ford played his usual bustling game and was a tower of strength in the three-quarter lines. McGilchrist and Fraser were a fast combination and when Withers went into Wright's place at half-time, the Whites proved dangerous whenever they got the ball.

Telegraphist Jones came on at the interval in place of Griffiths and, though inclined at first to hang on to the ball too long, he justified his appointment by paying the way with a determined and tricky run, for a try by Peers.

Peers was good at the base of the scrum but lacked the initiative, after he had brilliantly evaded the defence, to go through on his own. Twice he had a grand opportunity but was too willing to part. The equalising try he made in the last five minutes followed a clever break away by Mackenzie Dow who threw out to the wing. A five yards scrum evanished and Peers secured to touch down.

The forwards did most of the work but they did not do it too well. Over-eagerness and anxiety to be first on the ball led to scrambling masses instead of loose scrums. Neither pack pushed well in the loose and fell over each other instead of using their feet.

WHITES

L. G. Robertson; H. R. McGilchrist, L. Fraser, R.M., Lt. St. Clair, Ford, R.N., Mid. Wright, R.N.; A.H.R. Butcher, Lt. Knox, R.N.; Mino, Light, G. S. Chambers, A. E. Walkden, Pay-Lt. Bowman, R.N., Lt. Winter, R.N., E. P. Humphreys, Dr. J. H. McElroy, M. S. Cumming.

COLOURS

P. C. Frost; J. Hutchinson, Rev. Mackenzie, Dow, H. C. Meeks, Lt. Withers, R.N.; R. H. Griffiths, Mns. Peacock, F. H. McGowan, J. R. Anderson, S. H. Garwood, S. J. Dunnet, W. P. Peers, B. D. G. Barlow, E. B. Gammell, A. B. Evans.

Eliot Hall Stronger Than Ever

Big Badminton Victory

IN FIRST MATCH OF THE SEASON

Fire Brigade Lose

(By "Veritas")

Unless something goes radically wrong Eliot Hall "A" are going to win the men's doubles badminton championship again this year. Last night they made their first appearance of the current season, visiting Kowloon Tong, and winning by nine matches to love and 189 aces to 48.

Although denied the assistance of Goon and Wong, Eliot Hall have retained the nucleus of last year's team and are as powerful as ever. They played classy badminton last evening, gave the Kowloon Tong players an object lesson in doing the right thing at the right moment.

If anything I thought Eliot Hall played purer badminton in this match than any time during last season, for whereas a year ago they were inclined to make a fetish of the short game, they have now developed a powerful baseline game which they mix very discriminately with drop shots from the net.

It was a pleasure to watch their courtcraft and to see how easily they out-manoeuvred their expert opponents. They exploited the job in its most effective form, namely to wait until the opposition advanced too quickly on deep drives, while they were always getting sufficiently acute angles on their drop shots to make them out of ace. For the most part, it was interesting to note how they coordinated the use of a flat racket and plenty of wrist work in their smashing. The shuttle usually travelled very much faster than they could have been expected to. The Kowloon Tong players felt they can strengthen their third pair, as Heng, a very young player is not quite up to the standard of his colleagues. Even so with their first two couples Eliot Hall should prove capable of withstanding any opposition and it is well being beaten this season.

FIRE BRIGADE LOSE AT HOME

The defeat of E. L. H. Shute and J. L. Anderson by H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier brought about the defeat of Fire Brigade by Recreio "B" at the Police Headquarters last evening. The visitors won by the odd game after a match which sustained its interest until the last.

There were several keenly contested games. Barros and Alves only just beat Greenwood and Skinner in another important game, and Stoker and Fisher had a stiff time in overcoming the Recreio third pair.

M. A. Oliveira re-appeared in the Recreio "A" team against St. Andrew's "B", his arm having recovered from a recent injury. He and Alves won their three games without being extended, but J. Ribeiro and B. N. da Silva, a rather weak third pair, conceded two games to cut the Recreio's winning margin down to 7-2.

Complete scores of the three matches follow.

KOWLOON TONG v. ELIOT HALL

S. A. Gray and P. K. Leung (Kowloon Tong) lost to T. C. Lee and K. Chan 1-21; lost to C. S. Heng and K. Y. Lee 0-21; lost to C. S. Heng and K. Y. Lee 0-21; lost to C. S. Heng and K. Y. Lee 0-21.

G. A. White and J. M. Pong (Kowloon Tong) lost to Lee and Chan 1-21; lost to Lee and Chan 1-21; lost to Heng and Lien 2-21.

RECREIO "A" v. ST. ANDREW'S "B"

H. A. Alves and M. A. Oliveira (Recreio) beat M. Weill and A. S. Bliss 21-1; beat S. A. Broadbridge and C. Angus 21-3; beat L. Kirby and J. Dawson 21-5.

Most Interesting Shield Tie

(Continued from Page 8.)

with which to contend, and are therefore able to settle down very much more quickly than on other grounds such as Caroline Hill, Kowloon and on the Happy Valley.

So I do not think we can take much notice of ground advantages. For all practical purposes they are negligible. The result should determine itself on the respective merits of the teams.

If anything the Police will probably start favourites if only because of their improved league form of late. They appear to have solved to a large extent their earlier forward line problems and have now an attack capable of scoring plenty of goals. Furthermore they have no half back worries, and if there has been a discernible slackening off in defence, it has not yet shown itself seriously and may be regarded purely as a passing phase.

RARE FIGHTERS

The team certainly strikes one as being better balanced than St. Joseph's. But the Saints are rare fighters and this quality may pull them through on Saturday as it did against Recreio. Taken in its entirety the team was not frightfully impressive that day but the forwards seized opportunities and got goals. Police rearguard cannot afford to make mistakes for in Dave Leonard's Ward they have two of the smartest forwards in the local game. Leonard is capable of turning them to account.

St. Joseph's confront a formidable task in stopping the now very alert and enterprising Police attack. Johnson's map shooting and Brooks's vision has given new life to the forwards, and when in their happiest mood they are capable of routing the half of defences. Sinclair at centre-half will have well-defined duties, but in the final analysis I expect Costa will be the chief stumbling block. This long-legged left back has made greater improvement during the last two seasons than any other player in Hongkong and is worthy to rank as one of the leading defenders in local football. His only difficulty is in recovering; he is apt to be slow. But his first-time kicking is a joy to behold and he is no ignoramus in the art of positioning.

"DARKIE" LEE TO PLAY?

St. Joseph's hope to strengthen their team by the inclusion of "Darkie" Lee. Lee is expected down here from Swatow to-day or to-morrow, and if he arrives it seems fairly certain he will play at outside right. He should be a real asset to the forward line.

St. Joseph's will be chosen from the following:—U. B. Sousa; L. Sousa and V. Costa; Wood, Sinclair and Elms; "Darkie" Lee (or Victor); Ward, D. Leonard, Hussain and Fernandez.

INNINGS WIN FOR THE AUSTRALIANS

Eastern Province Again Out Under 100

Port Elizabeth, Jan. 8. The Australian Test team quickly polished off their match with Eastern Province to-day, winning by an innings and 114 runs.

Continuing their first innings from the overnight score of 189 for 4, the Australians went on to aggregate 352. Richardson missed his century, being out for 84, and to-day Davies, a very promising bowler put down some fine stuff to earn him final figures of 6 for 80.

Batting a second time Eastern Province could do no better than in their initial effort, and were again dismissed for less than 100. The last wicket fell at 80, McCormick being the chief trundler with 5 for 29.—*Reuter*.

DESTROY THIS SILLY INTERPORT RULE!

RESIDENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS CANNOT BE DEFINED

OLD SUBJECT RESURRECTED

(By "Veritas")

That old question is with us again! You know! That one about Interport footballers possessing residential qualifications. My contemporary "Reference" has introduced it this time. Isn't it about time it was fairly analysed?

To start with I affirm most categorically that it is a ridiculous rule in its present form. You have only to look at it twice to appreciate that nothing could be more vague. This is how it reads:

"Only players actually resident at a Port shall be eligible to represent that Port in this (Interport) competition, and no period of less than one month shall constitute residence for the purpose of this rule."

The italics are mine. What does that latter part mean? One month from or before when? Is it one complete uninterrupted month or a month composed of say fifteen week-ends? If a player has resided for one complete month, say at the beginning of the season is he eligible? In any case why make the qualification residential?

IT IS ILLOGICAL

For years now we have had players, resident and employed in Canton appearing in local league football as bona-fide members of clubs affiliated to the Hongkong F.A. Isn't this sufficient qualification for them to play for the Port in representative football? And if not, why not? It doesn't need to be demonstrated that the most logical qualification is to be a playing member of a club affiliated with the H.K.F.A., and taking part in its competitions.

In any case this popular idea that there are a number of Chinese players from Canton in local football who do not comply with the existing residential qualification ruling can be exploded as a myth. It is a fact that all of these players can point to residences in Hongkong though possibly they only use them twice a week. The suggestion made in our contemporary that Wong Wink, Li Tinsang and Tam Kong-wei were ineligible when they played for Hongkong is incorrect. They were eligible and if Shanghai were "offended" because they played, it was because Shanghai did not know the true facts of the case.

NEEDS AMENDMENT

But looking at the question from the broader issues it does seem that

FERRIER SAILS FOR ENGLAND

To Compete In Golf Championships

Melbourne, Jan. 8.

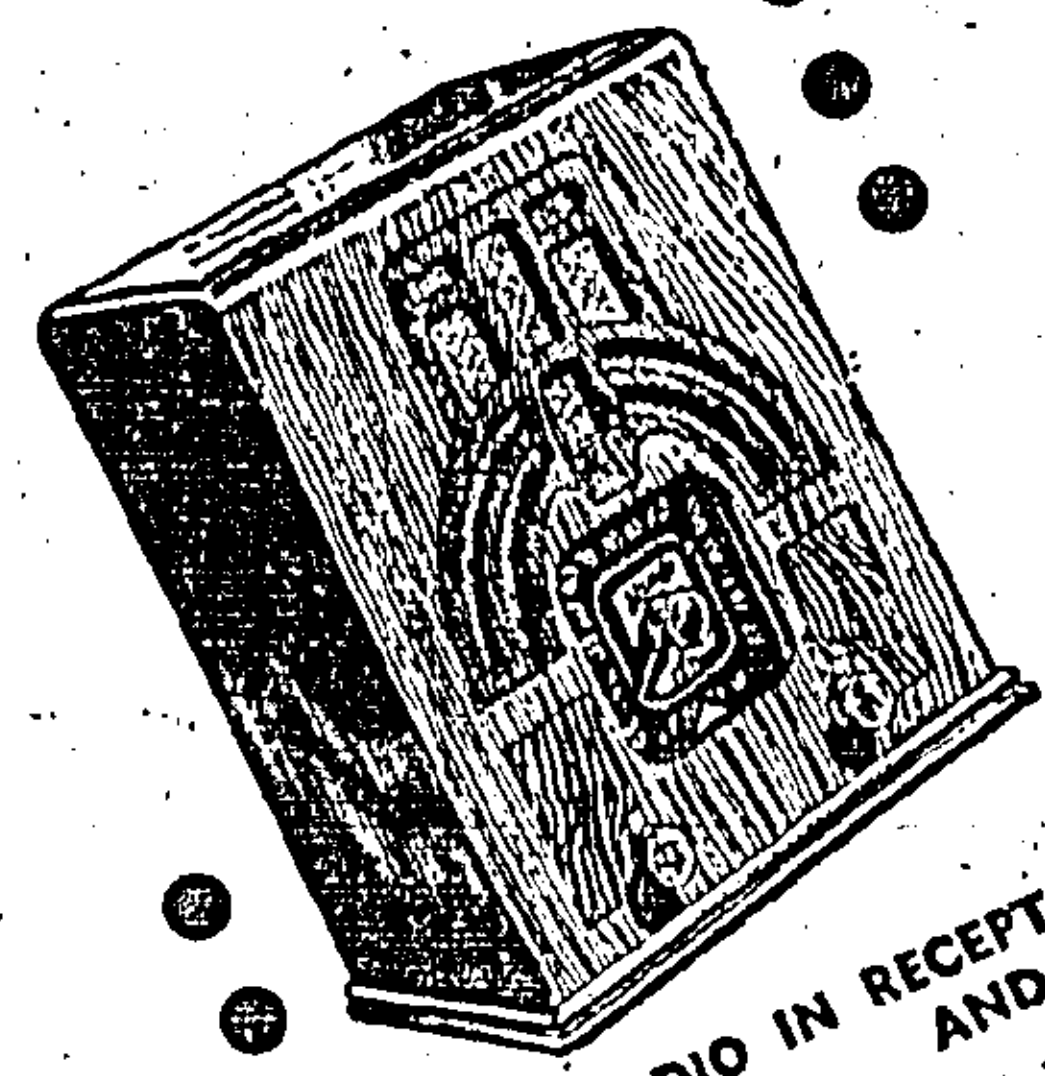
James Ferrier, the Australian Amateur Golf Champion sailed for England to-day to compete in the British Open and Amateur Golf Championships.

Ferrier has been responsible for many remarkable performances in Australia, and Australians generally are anxious to see how he fares against the pick of the British golfers.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

LOCAL YACHTING

In yesterday's sweepstake race the "A" class event was won by Miss E. Walker in Lobo, the "P" "Y" and "G" classes by Major B. E. C. Dixon in Eunice, and the "H" class by Miss B. M. Kirke in Ariel.

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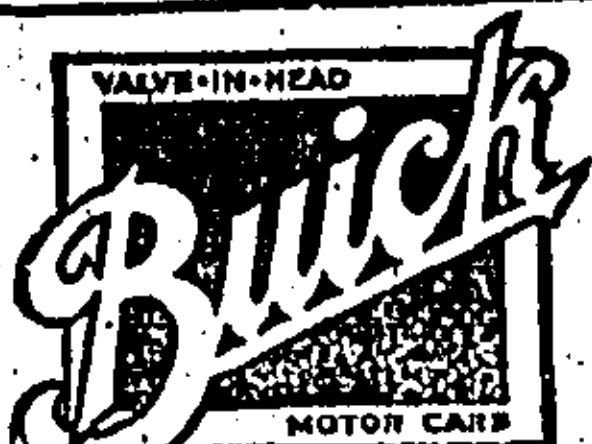
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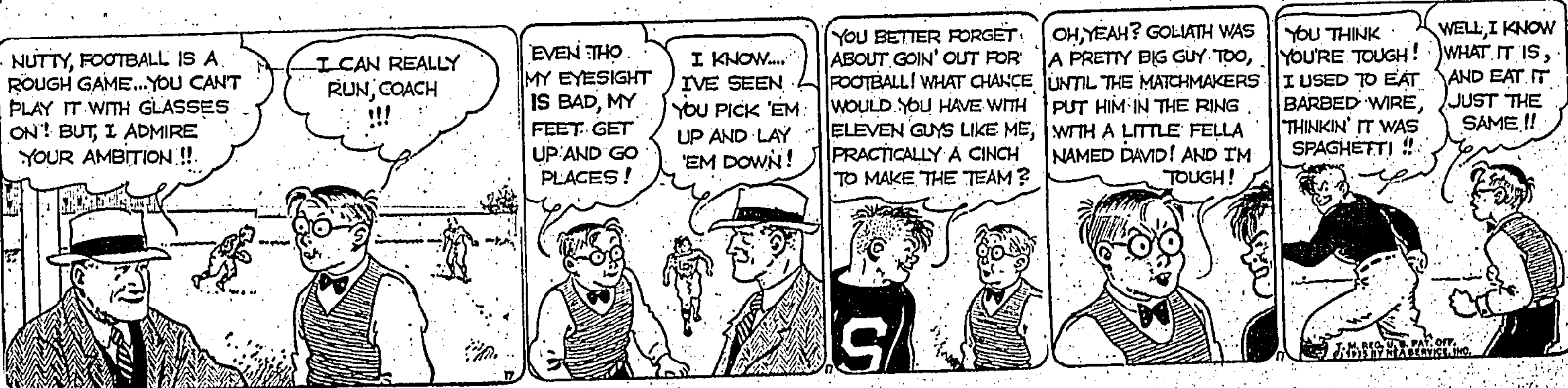
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CHAPTER XXV

Elinor said firmly, "The most important thing is that I don't want to bother you. Not in the least!" "You won't," Barrett answered. "You won't want to bother me. I'll do our best to make a go of this as long as we must!"

Instead he patted her hands. "Powder your nose," he said briskly, "and come down to lunch. I suppose it's to be a banquet. The cook will want to show you just how skillful she is. And I heard Higgins ordering enough flowers for a hot-house. By the way, the bath is behind the door to the right." He turned to sweep the room with critical eyes. "I left those shelves empty so you can fill them with the books you really want. Meantime there is a selection in my room from which you may be able to choose something that will send you to sleep. Is that right?"

He moved toward the head of the narrow, four-posted mahogany bed to pull the small chain. "Yes, it's all right," he said with satisfaction.

He was at the doorway when she had him. "Barrett," he said, "I've needed, again moved toward her. 'Yes?'"

"I can't thank you enough for all this." Her face, lifted to his, was infinitely appealing in its gratitude.

"I'm awfully glad you like it," he said. "I had a suspicion (smiling) that you might be rather fed-up with Chinese red and chromium and modernistic furnishings in general."

"I was," she agreed.

"I'll telephone to ask how your father's been," he said, "and report at luncheon. It's to be served at half past one if that suits you."

"Perfectly. And thank you so much for everything!"

He smiled at her from the doorway leading to his room, gave her an airy salute and was gone, closing the door after him.

For a moment she stood staring at the closed door. Then once more she turned and looked around her. It was a lovely room. Lovely!

He travelling bags had been placed in the adjoining dressing room. Elinor opened them, and, looking over her frocks, suddenly wished she had something that was very, very pretty to wear down to luncheon. She finally selected a soft tan silk frock which brought out the warmth of her hair. Celeste had said it was becoming. She must remember to tuck Celeste's handkerchief into her sleeve in order to show it to Barrett.

She dressed her hair in a roll at the back of her neck. She had worn it that way during those falsely happy days when Barrett had spent so much time with her. He had admired it that way.

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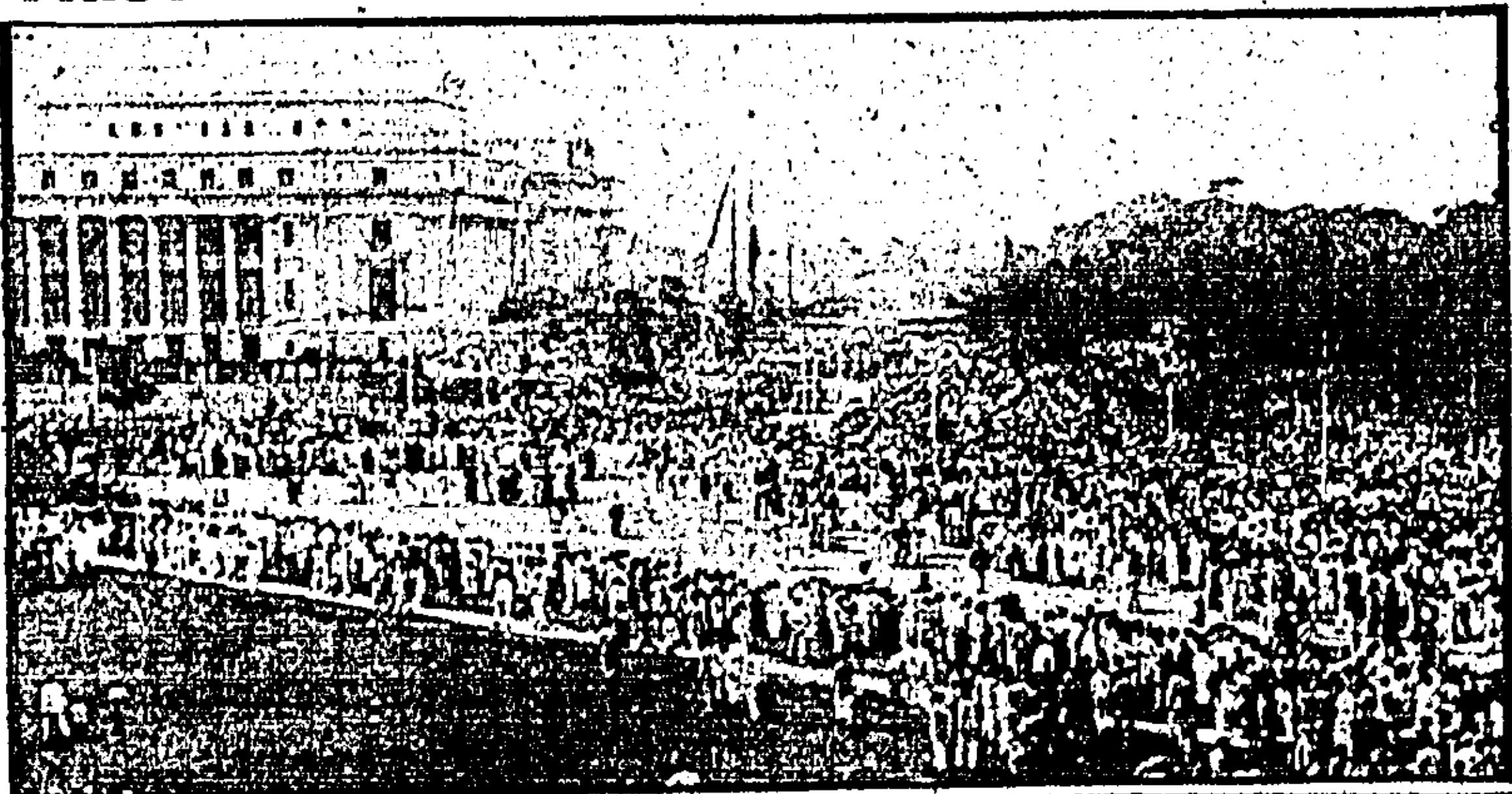
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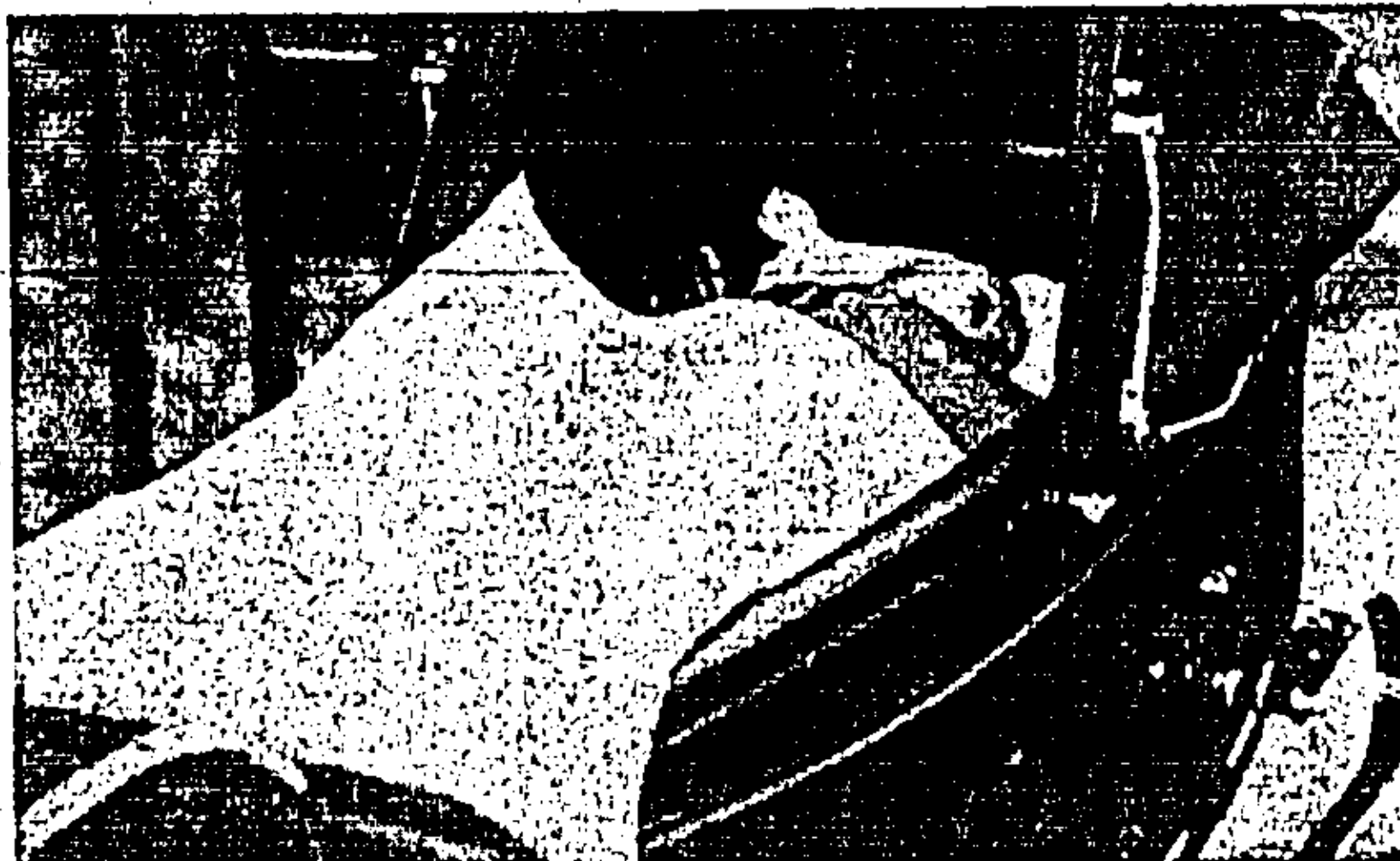
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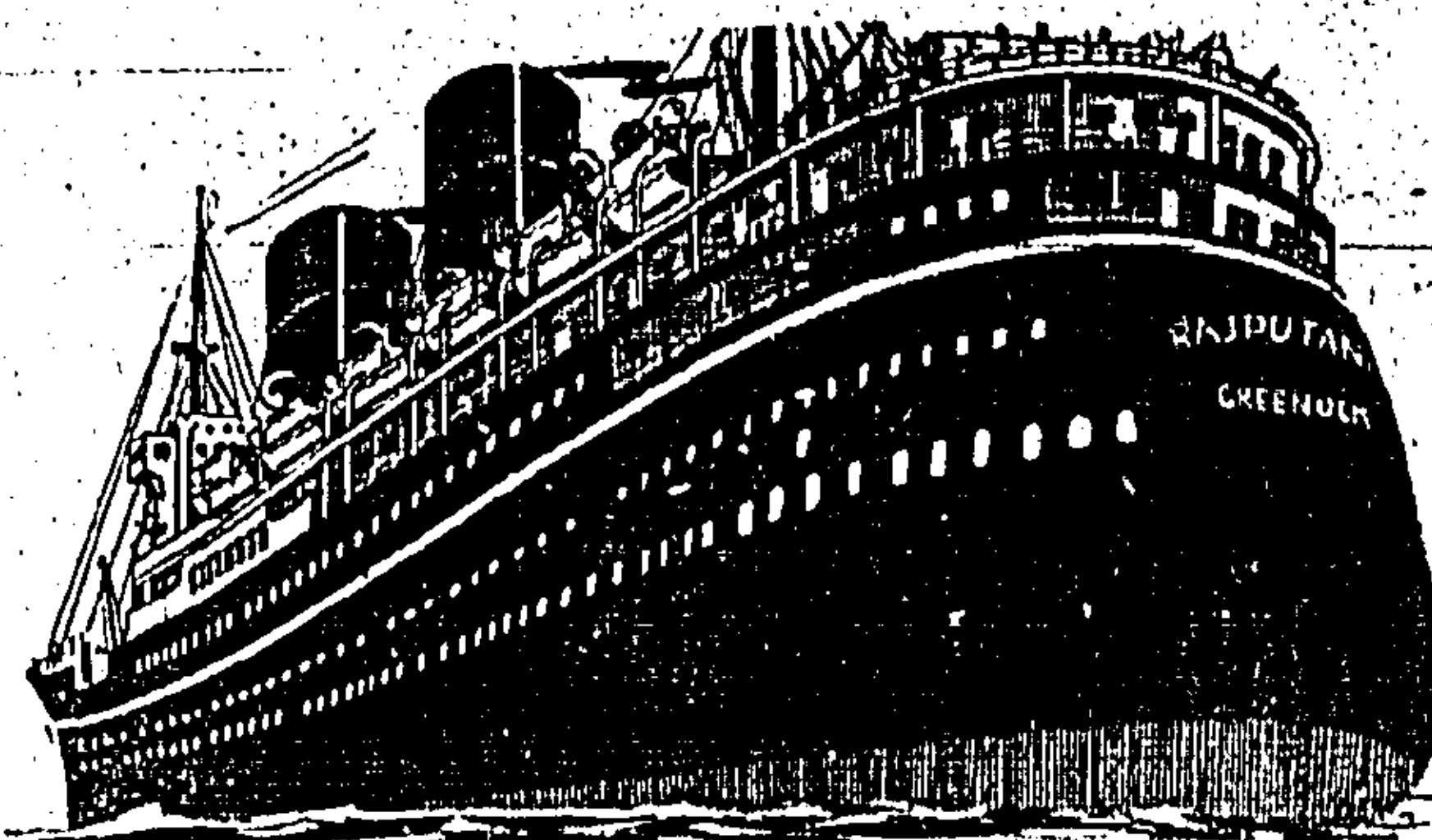
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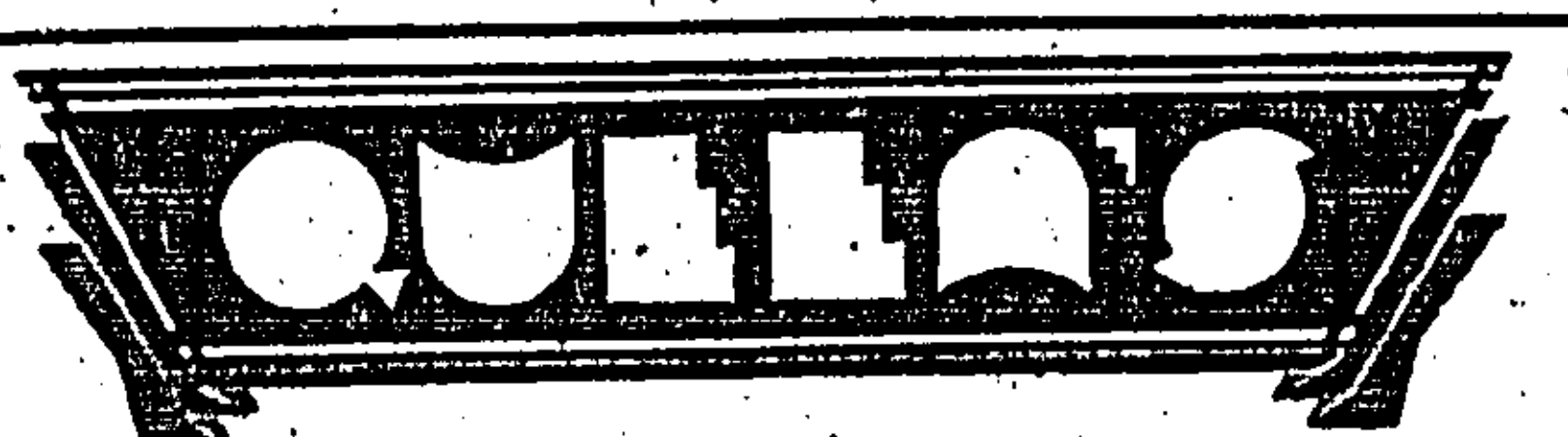
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NEXT CHANGE

BORIS KARLOFF in

"THE BRIDE OF FRANKENSTEIN"

CHATER ESTATE APPEAL

CROWN ANSWERS
TRUSTEES' CASE

JUDGMENT RESERVED

Judgment was reserved by the Full Court this morning in the appeal brought by the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. H. Turner, trustees of the estate of the late Sir Paul Chater, against the decision of His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor in holding that duty was payable on the estate upon the death of Lady Chater.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by the Hon. Sir William Shenton, appeared for the appellants, and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Crown Solicitor, was for the Estate Duty Commissioner, the respondent.

The case for the appellants was that duty was not payable on the estate because a settlement had been made on Lady Chater by virtue of the fact that she was given an annuity of £10,000. The question of whether a fund had been set aside for this purpose had nothing to do with the matter.

This morning, Mr. Potter made his reply and stated that the crucial point of the case was whether a bequest of an annuity amounted to a settlement or not, according to Section 25 of the Estate Duty Ordinance. His case was that without any direction to set aside a portion of the estate to meet it, did not constitute a settlement.

SURPRISE EXPRESSED

The arguments made by counsel for the appellants were originally confined to two points, namely that it did not matter whether a fund had been set aside or not, and that equity regarded as done what ought to be done. He was rather surprised that after the fifth adjournment yesterday, a third point was raised to the effect that there was in fact a direction in the will for the creation of an annuity fund. He was surprised because in the Court below and up to yesterday morning, it did not strike anyone that there was such a direction in the will.

The only reference to it, said Mr. Potter, was in clause eight of the will which was in substance, "subject to provision for payment of annuities bequeathed in this my will."

Counsel submitted that these words were not tantamount to a direction that a fund should be set aside for annuities. They were put in merely as a recognition of the law of the land that these provisions must be made before distribution of the residuary estate could be dealt with. Furthermore, provisions for payment of annuities did not mean setting aside specific property for the purpose.

Continuing, Mr. Potter said that even assuming that the words meant a direction for setting aside an annuity, they were nullified by clause 13 which gave discretion to the trustees as to whether they should do so or not. The fact that the trustees were given discretion showed that there was no express direction that such a fund should be set aside.

There was no specific duty imposed on the trustees to appropriate a fund for the annuities, and moreover, the annuitants had no right to demand the appropriation of a fund from the residuary estate. The reason why discretion was given to the trustees was because some of the annuities were in sterling, and therefore they were not in a position to appropriate the exact amount.

Counsel then quoted authorities to show that annuities granted in a will without any specific direction for setting aside a fund to meet them did not constitute a settlement.

NOT APPLICABLE

Referring to the second point of the appellants' case, that equity regarded as done what ought to be done, Mr. Potter said that he was entirely in agreement with this maxim. He submitted, however, that the maxim could not be applied in the case, because there was no specific direction. There must be something to do, in thing before that maxim could be applied.

Counsel concluded by saying that there had never been a direction in the will that an annuity fund should be set aside, and asked the Court to uphold the decision of the Chief Justice.

Mr. Justice Lindell: Don't you think it unreasonable that the Government should demand a profit out of an annuity charged on part of the estate and take no profit when it is charged on the whole of the estate? Mr. Potter agreed that it was harsh, and stated that it was the law which imposed duty on all annuities with the exception of a marriage settlement.

Replying for the appellants, Mr. Macnamara stated that it seemed rather unreasonable that duties should be levied on all annuities, in the present case the duties amounted to something like \$170,000. He submitted that clause 13, which gave discretion to the trustees as to the question of setting aside a fund for payment of annuities, was only a machinery, and contended that the Court should follow clause 8, which directed that provisions should be made to meet these payments. There could be no other provisions but to set aside a fund.

WHOLESALE PRICES

London, Jan. 8. The average of wholesale prices in 1935, according to the Board of Trade index, was 0.9 per cent. greater than in 1934, the index number based on 1920 being 88.9 and 89.1 respectively. The rise in 1935 followed one of 2.8 per cent. in 1934. —British Wireless.

Anti-Aircraft Defence

VICKERS PRODUCE
NEW WEAPON

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Jan. 8. It was revealed at a sitting of the Armaments Commission to-day that Vickers have invented a new anti-aircraft gun, which they claim to be finest in the world.

Sir Charles Craven, the managing director of the firm, said the company have contracts worth £100,000 for the gun from foreign countries. The Chairman, General Sir Herbert Laurence, said Britain had a good gun in 1918, but not so efficient as the new one, none of which had been ordered by Britain from the firm. —Reuter Special.

ITALIAN SOLDIERS DISARMED

REFUSE TO MARCH
FOR ETHIOPIA

Innsbruck, Jan. 8. Violent scenes occurred on the departure of five hundred soldiers from Merano, in the South Tyrol, for Africa, according to reports in circulation here.

It is alleged that soldiers belonging to the Fifth Alpini Regiment, refused to march and shouted opprobrious epithets against the Government. They are also stated to have torn down pictures of Signor Mussolini. The reports add that the refractory soldiers were finally disarmed. —Reuter Special.

ITALIANS DEPORTED

POLICE SWEEP ON
MALTA HOMES

Malta, Jan. 8. Police to-day swooped upon the homes of fourteen persons, most of them Italians, but two of them English women. All fourteen persons were detained for interrogation, but eight were subsequently released. The remaining six are being deported to-morrow.

They are a professor in an Italian subsidised school, a lieutenant in the Italian Fascist militia in charge of the local company of Boy Scouts of Italian nationality, a minor official in the Italian consulate, two Italian merchants and the Malta agent for an Italian seaplane manufacturing company. —Reuter.

HAUPTMANN'S REQUEST

WANTS TO GO BEFORE
COURT OF PARDONS

Trenton, Jan. 8. Bruno Hauptmann, condemned to die for the murder of the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, to-day sought permission to appear on January 11, before the Court of Pardons so that he might answer any questions the court cares to put to him.

Governor Hoffman described the request as unusual, and doubted Hauptmann would be asked to appear.

He added that he had no intention of postponing the date of the execution. —Reuter.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Jan. 7.	Jan. 8.
Paris	74.51/84	74.27/32
Geneva	16.17 1/2	15.17 1/2
Berlin	12.20	12.27
Amsterdam	61 1/2	61 1/2
Shanghai	1/2 1/4	1/2 9/16
New York	493.1/16	493.7/16
London	7.27	7.27 1/2
Vienna	20 1/2	20 1/2
Brussels	110	110 1/2
Bucharest	667	665
Madrid	86.1/16	86 1/2
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	1/3 5/16	1/3 1/2
Manila	20.31 1/2	20.31 1/2
Montevideo	39 1/2	39 1/2
Bogota	21 1/2	21 1/2
Montreal	4.94 1/2	4.95 1/2
Yokohama	1/2 1/32	1/2 1/32
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Buenos Aires	15	15
Osaka	20 1/2	20 1/2
Silver (forward)	106 1/2	106 1/2
War Loan	106 1/2	106 1/2

LIFEBEAT HEROES

London, Jan. 8. The French Minister of Merchant Marine has awarded silver medals of honour and diplomas to men of the Barry Dock lifeboat for gallantry in the rescue of the crew of the French schooner "Goeland" in the Bristol Channel last September. —British Wireless.

ATTACKED FROM NEW QUARTER

FATHER COUGHLIN
STARTS ACTION

BANKING LAWS CRITICISED

New York, Jan. 8. The successful challenge against the Agricultural Adjustment Administration seems likely to start a vogue of attacks upon Federal laws generally.

Father Coughlin, the famous head of the Church of the Little Flower, whose enormous following is bound to him by means of his radio connections, states he intends to challenge the constitutionality of the Federal Reserve Act and its amendments.

His object, he explains, "is to restore to Congress control over money." During his radio broadcast addresses, Father Coughlin has repeatedly attacked the "privately owned" Federal Reserve system and has urged the establishment of a bank similar to the Bank of England. —Reuter.

TO ACT AT ONCE

Washington, Jan. 8. After visiting President Roosevelt "socially," Father Coughlin announced to-day that he would sue immediately, attacking the constitutionality of the Federal Reserve Act of 1913.

Congress cannot delegate its rights to coin money to a private corporation," he holds. —United Press.

SUE TO RECOVER

New York, Jan. 8. The first suit of hundreds which are expected to be filed to recover millions of dollars paid in processing taxes collected under the A.A.A., has been instituted by two Indiana bakers, who are claiming about \$800 for taxes paid on flour. —Reuter.

FALSE PRETENCES

ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD
WIDOW

Two unemployed men, Ho Chik, 41, and Leung Pui, 25, appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with attempting to obtain money from a widow, Ho, 48, by false pretences on January 6. Second money was discharged, while the other man was sentenced to a total of 12 months' hard labour.

Detective Sergeant C. Dowman preferred a further charge of returning from banishment against the first defendant.

It was alleged that on January 6 first defendant went to complainant's house at No. 141 Portland Street, first floor, and told her that he was making a collection which was to be used in defraying the costs of a religious ceremony organised by the Kai Fong. Defendant asked the woman for thirty cents. She did not give it to him and eventually the man went away, but before going he handed the woman a piece of paper and made an entry of her name and address in a book and told her he would come again the next day.

The defendants were arrested at Shamshui, and, when searched, first accused was found to have some papers in his possession, while second accused had the collection book which contained the complainant's name and address. The complainant came forward and identified the first man, but could not identify the second.

First accused pleaded guilty and admitted that he had been banished for ten years in 1927, and had against him a previous conviction in connection with forged banknotes. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour on the first charge and 12 months on the second, concurrently.

TRIBUTE TO TEICHMAN

DANGEROUS JOURNEY
TO KASHGAR

London, Jan. 9. The Times in an editorial to-day pays tribute to Sir Eric Teichman for his journey from Beijing to Kashgar, and lauds the news of his safe arrival at Gilgit relieves the legitimate anxiety for him in both Britain and India.

The newspaper points out that he journeyed from Kashgar out to Gilgit in less than a month and during the most inclement season of the year.

The Times refers to the friendly and courteous manner in which local authorities, particularly General Sheng Shih-tai, received the British emissary. And Colonel Thomson-Glover, the British Consul-General at Kashgar, who met Sir Eric at Gilgit, says he hopes the enterprising journey would bear fruit in the removal of unnecessary and often illegal obstacles placed in the way of British India trade by the local Chinese authorities. —Reuter.

ECLIPSE OF MOON

London, Jan. 8. An eclipse of the moon is due this evening but there is little hope of good visibility in South England, owing to the poor weather conditions. Greenwich Observatory officials say the eclipse is of little importance scientifically, in any event. —Reuter.

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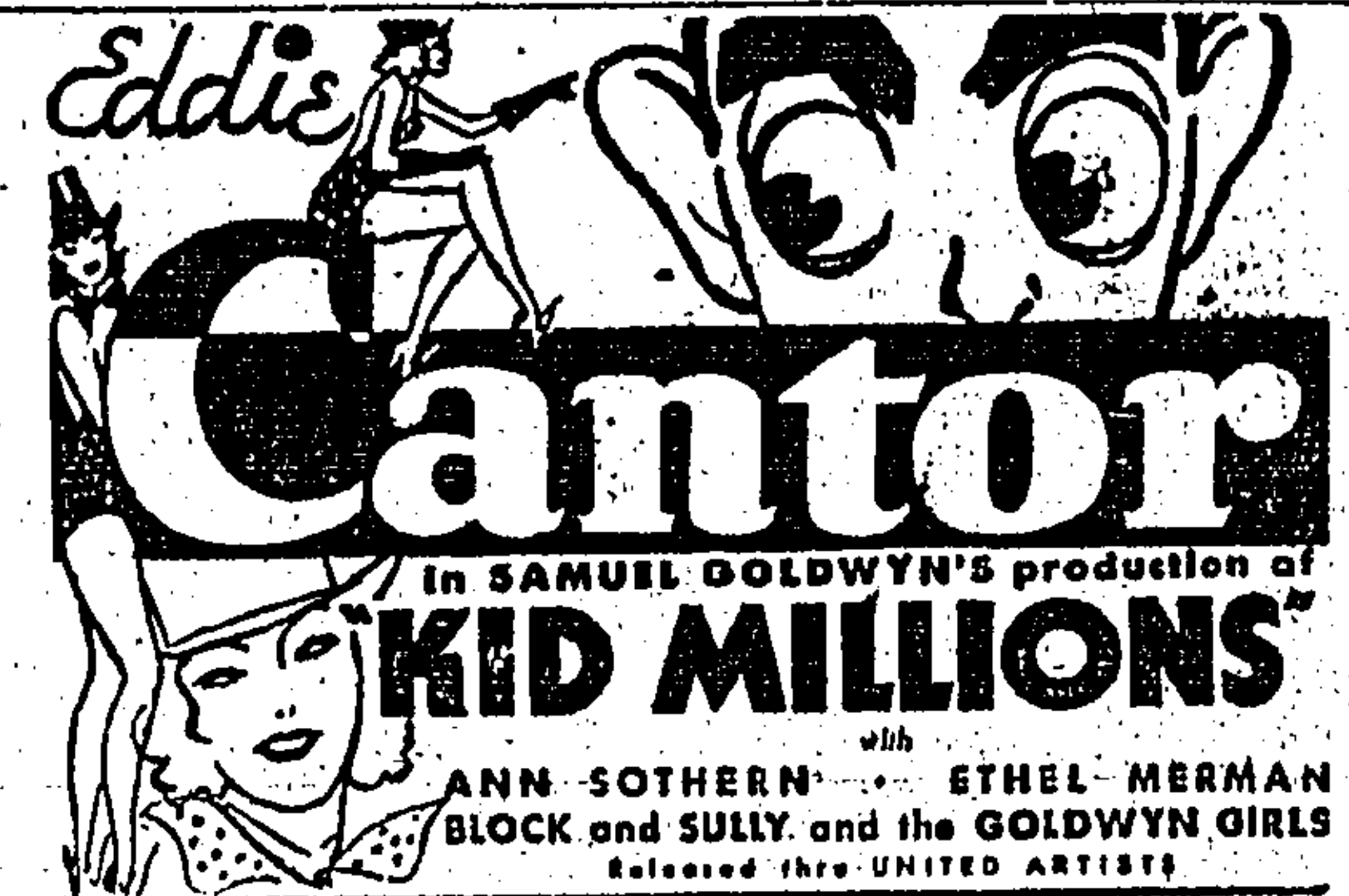
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